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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
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Cincinnati, Ohio

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February 25, 1937.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Cleveland division dated February 24, 1937, pertaining to the running of the Statute of Limitations as to the offenses involved as to possible Harboring charges against various subjects in the Northern District of Ohio, and it is suggested that possibly the Bureau would desire to call this to the attention of the Department or have the Cleveland Office, in suitable communication present same to the United States Attorney at Cleveland in order that they may be fully advised should the running of the Statute of Limitations result from a lack of prosecutive action as to any possibilities in this case.

Particular attention is called to the situation wherein it is indicated the Garrettsville Mail Train Robbery has been set for trial at Cleveland, April 3, 1937, as to which it is expected the United States Attorney will have Special Agent E. J. Wynn testify against Roscoe as to statements made by Roscoe at Miami, Florida, when recently apprehended, and in this connection this will, of course, indicate to many of our prospective subjects in the Harboring case what we have in mind as to this and the preferable situation probably would be for the prosecutive action to be initiated at Cleveland at an early date. If we were to initiate prosecutive action at Cleveland and pick up the various subjects, which we previously contemplated would be picked up under warrants of arrest, we might be able to obtain more information in the way of confessions from them if there was not disclosed to them information such as will be disclosed in the trial of the robbery of the Garrettsville Mail Train. This situation should be considered in bringing the Harboring situation to an early prosecution in order that we might have the advantage of this situation in dealing with the various subjects who will be charged.

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Copies of this letter are being forwarded to the Chicago Office in order that there may be summarized from the file there all of the information previously developed as to the X-Ray plates previously taken of Doctor Joseph P. Moran, which are no longer existent and which indicated the shrapnel in his body muscles, and inquiry we made as to a possible identification of his dental work. It is believed that this information should be had in summarized form in connection with consideration being had as to exhuming the body of the party found in the vicinity of Toledo, September, 1934, looking to the possible identification of this body as being that of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

The Cleveland division has indicated to me that Agent Wynn is preparing a review of the file to bring up-to-date the information as to Milton Lett and also preparing a summary as to any and all information as to Benson Groves. This information, of course, is for the purpose of possibly causing the apprehension of Groves and the location of Lett rather than the development of any additional evidence for prosecution in the Harboring cases.

As to Sally Jackson and her two sisters who previously furnished us with considerable information particularly as to Art Hebebrand et al., at Cleveland, Ohio, copies of this letter are being furnished to Cleveland in order that insofar as possible the lead suggested by the interview with these girls might be discreetly carried out insofar as this can be done without disclosing the fact that they furnished information to us. This investigation should be pursued also with the idea in mind of not causing Tony Amersbach to leave that vicinity should he learn of our inquiry which will undoubtedly tie him definitely into the Harboring charges.

It is also being suggested to the Cleveland office, as per copy of this letter furnished to them that they have the Pittsburgh office check or have Special Agent E. J. Wynn proceed to Moundsville, W. Va., for this purpose in order to determine discreetly whether or not Tony Amersbach will be returned to that institution in connection with his unexpired sentence of 21 years there. This investigation should, of course, be carried on without disclosing to the authorities there the person we have in mind as possibly being identical with their fugitive in order that no premature efforts would result by which the State might try to make inquiry as to this party at Cleveland and cause him to become a fugitive. It is believed that when this party is picked up if the West Virginia authorities will take custody of him, this will serve a very useful purpose in holding, in line to testify

in accordance with the facts, Sally Jackson and her two sisters.

The Cleveland field division is also being requested as per copy of this letter furnished to them, to prepare a Summary of any further work to be done in this case in the Northern District of Ohio, in order that we may determine just how long it will take to perform this investigation. This investigation is not such that it should cause the United States Attorney there to defer his decision as to the prosecutive action in this case and only covers such matters as may round out certain features of the evidence possible in the Harboring cases.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Inspector.

CC Cleveland  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1300 Biscayne Building

Miami, Florida

February 26, 1937.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

*100-13742*

Reference is made to letter from this division to you under date of January 9, 1937, along with which was transmitted copy of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent Royal J. Untreiner relative to a conversation had with D. A. Worley, State's Attorney, Miami, Florida, concerning the activities of Rogelio Gomez and Nene Renedo and their possible relationships with Joseph H. Adams.

*By Bureau*

You are advised that both Gomez and Renedo have been interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee in this connection. Renedo denies acquaintanceship with Adams and disclaims all knowledge of the alleged contact with Gomez, while Gomez advises that Mr. Worley misunderstood him. Gomez also states that he is not acquainted with Adams.

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These interviews were held with Renedo and Gomez, individually, and Gomez was also questioned by Agent McKee and Mr. Worley, jointly, in an effort to get at the bottom of this matter. It is believed by both Mr. Worley and Agent McKee that there is basis to the original story of Gomez as told by him to Mr. Worley, and that Gomez and Renedo now repudiate same for fear of being called upon for testimony when the Adams matter goes to trial.

Continued efforts will be made to find some means to obtain the truth as to this incident from Renedo and Gomez, and you will be kept advised.

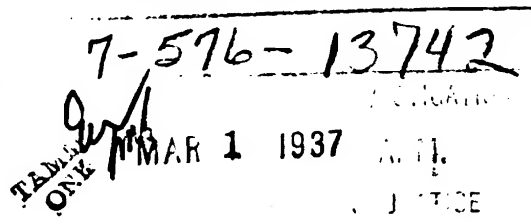
Very truly yours,

*R. L. Shivers*  
R. L. Shivers  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

February 26, 1937

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of February 23, 1937, you will find enclosed herewith the original photograph of James Brennan, with aliases, together with twenty-five reproductions of same.

As further requested in your letter, one copy of the photograph is being forwarded to the Detroit Field Division on this date.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-26-37</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-22-37</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. A. WINTER</b> <span style="float: right;">B</span>
TITLE <b>GEORGE TIMINEY DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE HARBORING OF FUGITIVES NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. Eva Hooper, St. Joseph, Missouri, not presently in St. Joseph, will probably return to St. Joseph after 3-1-37.</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-left: 40px;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent H. A. Snow, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 11-7-36. Report of Special Agent F. R. Hammack, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 1-12-37.</p> <p>DETAILS: At St. Joseph, Missouri</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Agent called at the home of Mrs. Eva Hooper, 1107 South 33rd Street, but there was no one at that address.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. W. T. Wiley, 1109 South 33rd Street, was contacted and advised that Mrs. Hooper has been out of St. Joseph for some period of time. She recently within the last few days received a letter from Mrs. Hooper stating that she expected to be back at her home in St. Joseph, Missouri, shortly after 3-1-37. The letter was postmarked Coffeyville, Kansas. No address was given.</p> <p>UNDEVELOPED LEAD: <u>KANSAS CITY FIELD DIVISION</u> at St. Joseph, Missouri, will after about 3-10-37 again attempt to contact</p>			
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Mrs. Eva Hooper, 1107 South 33rd Street and endeavor  
to secure her cooperation in locating Lucille Ferris  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

February 26, 1937

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for the Bureau is a news article appearing in the Toledo Blade, Toledo, Ohio, February 24, 1937, dealing with the escape of a man who was shot at by the city marshal, Swanton, Ohio, and reported by the newspaper to be Benson Groves.

As the Bureau was advised by teletype from this division dated February 24, 1937, investigation was conducted and the story ascertained to be without foundation. The investigation conducted by Special Agents H.B. Dill and A. Dickstein will appear in detail in the next report in this case from the Cleveland Division.

Very truly yours,

*J.P. MacFarland*  
J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Toledo, Ohio,

# KARPIS GANGSTER SEEN HERE

## Soup Groves Believed to Have Fled From Stolen Car Under Fire of Marshal Reed at Swanton.

Toledo became the center of a countywide search for the last remaining fugitive of the Karpis-Campbell gang after a man believed to be Benjamin Greyson, alias Soup Groves, was reported seen in West Toledo last night.

An automobile believed to have been stolen by Groves, an old Toledo mobster, in Dunkirk, O., when he was fleeing from G-men and postal authorities on Feb. 14, was recovered by George Reed, town marshal of Swanton, O., after its occupant escaped on foot apparently uninjured by a volley fired by the officer early today.

Greyson is wanted by the federal government in connection with the \$46,000 mail robbery which the Karpis gang staged at Garrettsville, O., Nov. 7, 1935, a few months before the capture of Harry Campbell, notorious gunman in a Monroe street apartment here last May.

### Flees From Lima

With United States postal inspectors hot on his trail, Greyson is believed to have fled from Lima, O., two weeks ago in a stolen automobile. This machine was found by Sheriff Lloyd Norman, Hardin county, in Dunkirk, O., Feb. 14.

The car stolen in Lima was left in exchange for a machine belonging to Clayton Willeke, Dunkirk

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barber. The Willeke machine was recovered by Marshal Reed in Swanton this morning.

Marshal Reed said he caught only a glimpse of the hoodlum who had driven slowly through Swanton in the stolen machine and parked it in front of the Masonic temple. When Marshal Reed approached to investigate the machine, he noticed a typewriter and a check protector in the rear seat.

Waiting nearby, the marshal saw a man emerge from an alley near the Masonic temple. When the marshal ordered him to halt, the man fled. The marshal emptied his pistol in an effort to stop him but the bullets apparently missed their mark.

The possibility that Greyson may have eluded the police and federal agents still another time was advanced by police when it was learned that an automobile had been stolen from the home of Joseph Brown, a farmer, in Swanton, O., shortly before 8 a. m. today.

### Rail Yards Watched

Deputy Sheriff Andrew Carr and Charley Sharkey of Toledo were sent immediately to the New York Central yards at Westwood avenue to arrest the fugitive should he attempt to ride to Toledo by freight train. Railroad detectives also joined the search.

Meanwhile, city detectives who have been searching for Greyson, who is known to have been in Toledo during the last few weeks, covered all railroad and bus stations.

Greyson, or Groves, is said to have been associated with Joe Roscoe, Toledo, now under indictment in Cleveland in connection with the Garrettsville robbery.

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

February 26, 1937

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Dear Sir:

As per my telephone conversation with you February 25th, 1937 after the reported apprehension of MERLE VANDERBUSH, Agent J. V. Murphy should return from Detroit to Cleveland in order that the pending details in the present matter may be concluded at an early date.

As to Agents Dickstein and Lill they should complete any matters pending in this at Toledo and thereafter Agent Dill may be returned to general assignment and Agent Dickstein may return to his headquarters.

Agents Murphy, Kitchen and Eyns should complete the leads as to MILTON MATT and BRISON GROVES in so far as it is possible to bring this to a conclusion at this time as well as any further details to round out our inquiry in the harboring matter.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Inspector

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Clear Lake, Iowa,  
February 26, 1937.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your article in the March American, "The Man with the Magic Wallet", was of special interest to me because I feel sure that I met William Elmer Head in April, 1934, when he swindled a Clear Lake woman out of \$6700.00. I spent half an hour in Head's presence and would have recognized him from the drawing even if it had not been labelled. At that time the alias of McDonald was used by Head.

When McDonald was here, I was certain there was something wrong brewing but it was kept very quiet until the horseracing swindle had been completed about 60 miles from here.

Sometime afterwards one of Head's companions was arrested in the east on some other charge and he was identified with the swindle and served a jail sentence in another Iowa County. After that arrest I went to our sheriff to have him try to hang something onto the man I suspected of being the contact man in Clear Lake and I think the sheriff did communicate with the county attorney of this other county but the matter was dropped without investigation. Your assertion that Head took care of local officials before pulling a deal might apply in this case altho I have no other grounds but my own inferences for making that statement.

I would like to put you on the trail of the man I believe handled the deal at this end of the line and will do so if you will send a representative with credentials from your Department. I believe this man may have been associated with Head before and may bring to light records and other associates if taken into custody.

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Yours very truly,  
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Miss C. Louise Clausen,  
Clear Lake, Iowa.

Dear Miss Clausen:

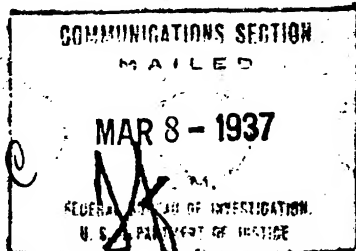
I am in receipt of your communication of February 26, 1937, in which reference is made to the article in the March issue of the American Magazine concerning William Elmer Mead, and in which you also indicate a desire to furnish information concerning the identity of individuals who swindled a lady of Clear Lake out of \$6,700.00 in April of 1934.

I am instructing Mr. J. L. Flood, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 629 First National Bank Building, Omaha, Nebraska, to arrange for an interview with you in the near future so that you may furnish the representative of this Bureau who calls upon you with full particulars concerning the case you have in mind.

Very truly yours,  
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,  
Assistant Director.

cc Omaha (Enc copies incoming letter)



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
February 27, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Inspector E. J. Connelley recently recommended that the headquarters of Special Agents J. V. Murphy and A. P. Kitchin be fixed at Cleveland while they are engaged in the Brekid investigation in that district. This was approved and the necessary papers prepared on February 25, 1937.

It is noted that Special Agent A. Dickstein, regularly assigned to the Trenton Division, has also been on this investigation continuously since September 14, 1936, and I am wondering if you desire to take any steps toward fixing his headquarters at Cleveland at this time.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin.

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*Handwritten notes:*  
Dickstein will return to Trenton in about one week.  
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

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REPORT MADE AT Nashville, Tennessee.	DATE WHEN MADE 3-1-37	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-15-37	REPORT MADE BY D. M. BRIGHTMAN
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH F. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Milton Lett unknown vicinity of Corryton (not Carrington) Tennessee.  - P. -			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent John R. Welles, dated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, December 31, 1936.			
DETAILS: <u>AT CORRYTON, TENNESSEE</u>  It was ascertained from the Postal Guide that there is no Carrington in East Tennessee, but that there is a Corryton, Tennessee. It was further ascertained from Mr. Edgar Petree, Deputy U. S. Marshal, that he of his own knowledge knew that a large number of Letts resided in and around Corryton, Tennessee.  Miss Ella B. Mullens, postmistress, Corryton, searched her entire records and advised Agent that these records failed to reflect that a Milton Lett was receiving mail at Corryton or on Corryton rural routes.  A photograph of Milton Lett and his wife was exhibited to Miss Mullens, and she advised that she had never seen anyone answering the descriptions of these two parties in or around Corryton. It may be noted that Corryton is a small inland			
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city of about 25 to 50 inhabitants, and it is presumed that should any stranger be in or around this place, he would immediately create suspicion, and the fact would be well known.

Sam Dalton, rural mail carrier, advised that he had a number of Letts on his route and that he was certain there was no Milton Lett receiving mail. He was exhibited a photograph of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lett and stated that he had never seen either of these two parties in or around Corryton, Tennessee, or on the rural routes leading out of Corryton. He advised that G. Stewart Lett was a near neighbor of his and that he also knew a number of other Letts.

Agent contacted G. W. Lett, Ben Lett, Lee Lett and Lillie Lett under pretext. They advised that they did not know of any cousin named Milton Lett although some of their people lived in and around Oklahoma City and in the state of Oklahoma. They further stated that none of the Oklahoma Letts had visited them for the past twenty years.

It being apparent that Milton Lett was not in this community, a photograph was exhibited to this family who advised that they had not seen either Milton Lett or Mrs. Milton Lett.

Mr. Edgar Petree, Deputy U. S. Marshal, Knoxville, Tennessee, resides in the near community of Corryton, Tennessee, and he stated that he was sure that Milton Lett had not been in the Corryton community.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 1, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm the long distance telephone conversation had with you today by Special Agent E. J. Wynn relative to the reported location of Benson Groves at Wyandotte, Michigan.

Special Agent A. Dickstein, at Toledo, Ohio, communicated by long distance telephone to the Cleveland Field Division, the following information:

That Detective Harry Manson of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department was told by an informant that one Pete Mason of Wyandotte, Michigan, visited the Jovial Club, operated by Joseph Roscoe in Toledo, Ohio, on the date the publicity with reference to the indictment of Joseph Roscoe for the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery, appeared in the press, which was in the latter part of January 1937; that Pete Mason was very desirous of ascertaining whether Ben Groves had been named in the indictment in connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery of November 7, 1935; that the informant stated that Pete Mason operates a rooming house in Wyandotte, Michigan, and caters to safe-crackers; that the Police Department of Wyandotte, Michigan, is not to be trusted; that Ben Groves is presently in the rooming house operated by Pete Mason and the place is considered to be very "hot" and the occupants thereof well armed, and, according to the informant, the occupants of this rooming house "have been on a drunk" for a considerable length of time and appear to be well supplied with money.

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The informant described Pete Mason as wearing heavy, horn-rimmed glasses, a dark brown suit, and a soft hat; and, further, that he has a heavy, monotone voice.

Detective Harry Manson advised Special Agent A. Dickstein that the Toledo Police Department, apparently in cooperation with the Post Office Inspectors, has a plant covering Summit and

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Cherry Streets in Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of picking up the trail of Pete Mason in order to place him under surveillance in the hope that he will lead them to Benson Groves. In this connection, Detective Hanson stated that he is the only officer of the Toledo Police Department who has full particulars with reference to Pete Mason's interest in Benson Groves and the fact that Pete Mason runs the rooming house at Wyandotte, Michigan, where Benson Groves, according to the informant, is presently located.

The circular letter to all Field Divisions, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, November 20, 1936, contains full information with reference to Benson Groves and the interest of the Bureau in causing his apprehension. Enclosed with this circular letter were photographs of Groves.

As you were advised in the long distance telephone conversation, Benson Groves is presently under indictment in the Northern District of Ohio for his participation in the Carrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, and is being sought by the Post Office Inspectors. As indicated in the circular letter referred to above, the Bureau is very desirous of causing the apprehension of Groves for the purpose of interrogating him with reference to the harboring angles of this case in the Northern District of Ohio.

As you were advised in the long distance telephone conversation by Special Agent E. J. Wynn, it is desired that in the event Benson Groves is apprehended by your division, he be held incommunicado and immediate advice be furnished by you to the Bureau and to the Cleveland Field Division in order that an Agent, thoroughly familiar with the harboring situation in the Northern District of Ohio, may proceed to Detroit, Michigan, and interrogate him at your field division.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Bureau  
E. J. Connelley - Tacoma, Wash.  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

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March 1, 1937

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is being attached to the original and to each copy of this letter a copy of a letter dated February 25, 1937, written by Dolores Delaney at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to Mrs. Clara Venute, 525 North Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois, who is the sister of Alvin Karpis.

A photostatic copy of this letter was forwarded to the Detroit Division by Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of this institution.

Very truly yours,

*Jay C. Newman*  
Jay C. Newman  
Special Agent in Charge

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Milan, Michigan  
Box 1000  
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Dear Clara,

Just received your letter and was very surprised to hear that you were leaving for Florida so soon. I don't know whether you can get any of the things we left down there but of course it can't hurt to try. As you know, we had some clothes and the baby things at Mrs. Thomas' house in Miami, your folks know all about them. We also have a number of things in the house we had a Varadero Beach, Cuba. I am not sure just what is there, although there is a radio and a few clothes. I haven't heard anything further about that car over in Cuba since I received that offer for it - the last I heard it was in the hands of the Cuban police. I wish you would see if there was anything that could be done about it. (I bought the car under the name of Dolores Wagner in Havana). And Clara, when we left Cleveland in Sept. 1934 we left a five room house full of furniture and a number of clothes and I thought as long as you were going to see a lawyer anyway that you might find out if there was any chance of getting those things. The house was on 140th St. I don't remember the number right now but I could get it. The D. of J. knows it. I thought he (the lawyer) could tell you whether he thought there was any chance of getting those things -- if so they would be worth going after. The furniture hadn't been used but about three months.

In the last letter I got from your Dad he asked if I could drive a car. Yes, I can, I'm not an exceptionally good driver tho'. Probably by the time I get out of here I'll be scared to death to ride in a car much less drive one. Well, I'm going to close now & I do hope you get this before you leave.

Love,

Dolores

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RECEIVED TOLEDO OHIO, INDICATES BENSON GROVES PRESENTLY RESIDING ROOMING HOUSE WYANDOTTE MICHIGAN OPERATED BY ONE PETE MASON, WHICH CATER TO SAFE RACKS AND OCCUPANTS ARE WELL ARMED AND HAVE BEEN ON PROTRACTED DRUNK. DETROIT FIELD DIVISION ADVISED BY TELEPHONE AND ARE HANDLING.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-9

REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 2-27-37	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-13,15,19,22-37	REPORT MADE BY EUGENE X. HUMPHREY
TITLE GEORGE TIMLIN; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; - et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Additional investigation at Hammond, Indiana, fails to disclose that Benson Groves is contacting his sister there. Investigation continuing at Hammond, Indiana.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Reference: Bureau letter of January 6, 1937 (Bureau file 7-576)</p> <p>Details: AT HAMMOND, INDIANA</p> <p>Mr. Frank Molesberger, Mrs. John F. Feherty, Mr. Palmer Singleton, and the Rev. R. C. Kimberlin, pastor of the Hyde Park Methodist Church of Hammond, Indiana, all of whom are mentioned in the reports of this Agent dated 11-30-36 and 12-22-36, and all of whom are neighbors of Mrs. Ida Fryer, sister of Benson Groves, were contacted upon several occasions with negative results. Mr. Molesberger advised that there is a friend of Mrs. Charles Sprout, aunt of Mrs. Fryer, whose last name is Mrs. Ellis (Molesberger does not know her first name, nor the first name of her son, who is about 25 years of age and who resides in Calumet City, Illinois) who was called to Dayton, Ohio during the last illness of Charles Sprout to care for him; as, according to Mr. Molesberger, she is a practical nurse. This woman, according to Molesberger, is very friendly with Mrs. Perry of 6238 Van Buren Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, who it will be remembered is a next door neighbor of Mrs. Fryer's, who is reputed</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Herald H. Kinney</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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to be on very intimate terms with the Fryer family, so intimate that Agent was previously advised to refrain from contacting Mrs. Perry, and when Mrs. Ellis comes to Hammond periodically she stays with Mrs. Perry.

Mr. Molesberger pointed out that Mrs. Ellis, by reason of being around the Sprout household in Dayton, Ohio at the time of the death of Charles Sprout would have been in an ideal position to learn of Benson Groves' whereabouts if known to Mrs. Fryer or to Mrs. Charles Sprout at that time, but Mr. Molesberger would not hazard a guess as to whether Mrs. Ellis could be confidentially contacted, if located. For this reason, although copies of this report are being designated for the Chicago Field Division, no lead is being set out for that Division to attempt to locate Mrs. Ellis' son at Calumet City, Illinois. Rather it is being left to the discretion of the Field Division of Origin as to the following out of this particular lead.

Mr. Molesberger advised that Mr. Fryer recently told him that Mrs. Charles Sprout had come to his home. Mr. Molesberger advised that Mr. Fryer did not say whether she was there for a visit or is to make her home there, but Mr. Molesberger was of the opinion that she is merely visiting the Fryer family.

Incidentally, it might be mentioned that Mr. Molesberger has stated that he would make efforts to establish the first name and address of Mrs. Ellis mentioned herein.

Mr. Molesberger advised that Mr. and Mrs. Fryer have an adopted daughter by the name of Mrs. Estil Stump, who is presently residing with the Fryers temporarily, along with her husband.

Mrs. John Flaherty, who resides across the street from the Fryer home, stated that she believes she can "pump" Mrs. Perry for any information she may possess concerning Mrs. Fryer's brother, without even slightly arousing the suspicions of Mrs. Perry that Mrs. Flaherty is interested for any other reason than to make conversation. Agent made certain that Mrs. Flaherty, as well as others contacted in Hammond, Indiana, still has the Indianapolis Field Division's address and telephone number, and all the persons contacted assured their cooperation.

At the Hammond offices of the Western Union, the Postal Telegraph and the American Railway Express Agency, Agent again contacted the sources who, it will be remembered when previously contacted requested that because of company rules their names be left out of any reports made, Agent ascertained that Groves had not contacted his sister through these sources. Arrangements were made for a continued "stop" notice on any messages sent to the Fryer home using the above agencies.

The parties contacted have the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Field Division.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

CINCINNATI FIELD DIVISION at Cincinnati, Ohio

Will, if it seems the same advisable, notify the Chicago Field Division to locate Mr. Ellis at Calumet City, Illinois, and obtain his mother's full name and address, and to set out a lead to contact her for any information she may have as to the present place of residence of Benson Groves, and to attempt to enlist her cooperation to find out where he is if she does not already know.

INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION at Hammond, Indiana

Will, as suggested in the letter of reference, hold this case pending, frequently contact those neighbors of the Fryers already contacted, and endeavor to establish further informants at Hammond in order to definitely determine whether Groves is contacting his sister, Mrs. Ida Fryer, 6232 Van Buren Avenue, by any means whatsoever.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-25

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 2-25-37	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-8, 12, 17, 18-37	REPORT MADE BY HARRY A. LOUGHRAN WRA
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEX, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Harry Turner, Flint, Michigan, will make effort to locate Turk Brennan and Benson Groves around Flint, Michigan and Canton, Ohio. Chief of Police, Flint, Michigan, will discreetly contact "Happy" Webster at Flint regarding present whereabouts of Brennan and Groves. Benson Groves believed to have been in Flint, Michigan during the past two years. No indication that Groves and Brennan are in Detroit, Michigan at the present time. No information regarding either party obtained from Detroit Police Department.

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**REFERENCE:**

Letter from Cleveland Field Division dated February 5, 1937.

Letter from Indianapolis Field Division to Cleveland Field Division, dated February 12, 1937.

**DETAILS:**

Lieutenant RAY MARTIN, Detective Bureau, Flint, Michigan, was interviewed and advised that HARRY TURNER was at present operating a beer parlor across from the Fisher Body Company at Flint, Michigan, and that he believed Turner was conducting himself in a very orthodox manner. He is personally acquainted with Turner and stated he believed

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Turner would be sufficiently reliable to be interviewed regarding the present whereabouts of Turk Brennan and Benson Groves. Lieutenant Martin stated that he had a photograph of Turk Brennan, which was loaned to Agent for the purpose of having copies made. Martin requested that the photograph be returned to him, as it was the only one in the possession of the Flint Police Department.

This photograph showed the following description of Brennan on the reverse side thereof:

Name	JOHN HORN, alias TURK BRENNON
Crime	Bank Robbery
Age	47 (1920)
Height	5 feet, 9 inches
Weight	151 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Sandy
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium Florid
Nativity	Wheeling, W. Va.
Occupation	Bartender
Arrested	June 18, 1920 PD Dayton, Ohio
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Lieutenant Martin advised that he had a letter in his possession, dated September 11, 1929, from Post Office Inspector George Pate, Steubenville, Ohio, advising that Turk Brennan was wanted by the Post Office authorities for robbery in 1929, and that a warrant was out for Brennan on this charge. Martin stated he had never received any information revoking the request in this letter to pick up Turk Brennan should he make his appearance in Flint, Michigan.

Regarding "Hap" Webster, Lieutenant Martin advised that Webster, in 1935, had opened a gambling place a quarter of a mile north of Tottens Corner on Michigan Highway #10, but that shortly after the place had been opened, it burned down. About March, 1936, Webster built a new place at Tottens Corner, located twenty-three miles north of Flint, Michigan, in Saginaw County, and brought men up from Detroit to run his gambling tables. Martin also believed that men from Toledo had been brought there by "Hap" Webster, but did not know the names of any of these employees.



On January 31, 1937, the State Police raided "Hap" Webster's place and completely wrecked it, and at the present time Webster is still staying in Flint, but is not engaged in any occupation, except possibly some gambling on the side. Lieutenant Martin stated that he was personally acquainted with Webster and believed he could get information from him. He advised he believed Webster was presently residing at the Barridge Hotel.

During part of the time Webster operated near Flint, Michigan, he had a partner named Beals (first name not recalled by Lieutenant Martin) and also had another partner at a different time named Phil Brennan, but this party had not been around Flint since 1929 or 1930. During the time that Webster and Phil Brennan were partners, they operated a "bookie" place in Flint.

Lieutenant Martin did not know whether Webster would be reliable as to furnishing information regarding the whereabouts of his friends that might be wanted by the law, but stated that outside of gambling, he did not believe that Webster had engaged in any other illegal enterprises, although there was no doubt about the fact that he (Webster) was personally acquainted with many men who did, and that as far as racketeers and gamblers generally are concerned, Webster probably had contacts with lots of them.

Lieutenant Martin stated that Webster's nickname was "Happy", though this was sometimes shortened to "Hap". He did not know what Webster's real name was. Martin was shown a photograph of Benson Groves, but stated that as far as he knew, neither Groves nor Turk Brennan was around Flint, Michigan at the present time.

Chief of Police E. S. Tewhey, Flint, Michigan, was interviewed and advised that he was personally acquainted with "Hap" Webster and had done him favors in the past regarding his gambling activities, and was possibly in a position to do him favors in the future, although he did not want this to be generally known. He advised that he thought if he approached Webster and asked him to give him information, confidentially and personally, as to the individuals in question, and it would mean something to the Chief of Police to obtain such information, Webster would not hesitate to do it.

The Chief further advised that the Post Office Department had recently contacted him and advised that there was a \$2,000. reward offered for the apprehension of Benson Groves for the robbery of the Springfield, Ohio Post Office.

Chief Tewhey stated that if he obtains any definite information regarding the present whereabouts of Benson Groves, he will immediately notify this office by telephone, and if he received any information that might lead to the location of Groves, he would advise this office by letter.

Regarding Turk Brennan, Chief Tewhey advised that he also knew a Phil Brennan very well, on account of his having operated a gambling place in Flint, Michigan some years ago; that he saw Phil about two years ago, at which time Phil indicated that his brother, Turk Brennan, was wanted by the authorities. Tewhey stated that it would have done no good to ask Phil Brennan where his brother was, as Phil would not have told him, and therefore he did not question him in this regard.

In view of the information contained in the letter of reference from the Cleveland Field Division dated February 5, 1937, it was thought advisable to interview Harry Turner; but in view of the contact made with the Chief of Police at Flint, Michigan, it was deemed inadvisable at the time to make any contact with "Hap" Webster.

HARRY TURNER, 4341 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, Michigan, was interviewed and advised that Agent had been referred to him by Ed Crowley. Turner stated he did not have much time for Ed Crowley as he did not believe he was reliable, but had a certain regard for him because of the fact that Jim Crowley, also known as "Jumbo", Ed's brother, and he (Turner) had been very closely connected in business and had been very close friends. He stated that Jim Crowley on one occasion had saved his life at a time he was about to be "bumped off" by three men in Canton, Ohio, after they had seen him talking to a police officer, and believed that he had been giving information to the officer.

Turner stated he was well acquainted with the notorious characters around Canton, Ohio from having been in the saloon business in that town with Jim Crowley, as most of these parties had frequented their place off and on. He stated that he was at present operating entirely legitimately and wanted no connection with any of the men that he had known down there.

Turner was shown the photographs of Benson Groves and Turk Brennan, and advised that Groves looks a great deal like the man who used to run, and may possibly still be running, the gas station located at Death Curve outside of Canton, Ohio, and that this party was known as "Dutch." Turner was not certain that it was the same man, but stated there was quite a strong resemblance. He stated

that this party had formerly gone out with a girl who was the piano player for Ed Crowley, and that Crowley would know who she was if he would tell. Turner further stated that he was familiar with the photograph of Turk Brennan, but could not definitely place this individual, although he felt certain that he had seen him in the past.

Turner advised that he was planning on going to Canton, Ohio about Easter week, and that he would be able to find out from the boys down there whether Benson Groves had been around there or was there at the present time. He stated that if he went down to Canton, it might be advisable for an Agent of this Bureau who was not in any way known around the vicinity of Canton to meet him there discreetly, and through such contact Turner would point out the places where he would suggest information could be obtained regarding either of the above two men. In this respect, he advised that George Green of Toledo, Ohio, wrote to him some time ago to try and peddle "hot" diamonds in Flint, Michigan, but that he had refused this offer; that Green was known to harbor a lot of crooks around his place and was acquainted with most of the gangsters. He thought that if Green wanted to, he could furnish a lot of information regarding the present whereabouts of the above mentioned parties, but he did not know whether Green would talk.

Turner stated that if some informant could be put to work on Green, he thought it would be possible to ascertain the desired information. Turner did not know where Green was located in Toledo at the present time, but stated Green was well known to the Police Department. However, if Green is interviewed directly by one of the Agents of this Bureau, Turner's name should not be mentioned.

There was another man whom Turner recalled by the name of Wilson, who, he stated, also resembled Benson Groves. At Canton, Ohio this party went with a prostitute by the name of Gladys Gould, of Canton, and was a friend of a man named John Meyers. Turner thought this party's whereabouts would probably be known to the Canton Police Department. John Meyers, a huckster in Canton, died about two years ago.

Turner stated that a party named Herbert Ewrick (phonetic) of Canton, Ohio, knew most of the people around town and occasionally was mixed up in a few of the rackets himself. Turner stated that this party was down and out at the present time, but he believed that Ewrick still had information regarding people around Canton and might possibly be able to furnish information leading to the whereabouts of Benson Groves or Turk Brennan.

Turner advised that another party who would be able to furnish information of value regarding the underworld characters around Canton, Ohio, was Mike McKinney, as he was acquainted with all of the gangs hanging around Canton.

Turner stated that possibly some information might be obtained from Bill Kimmel, who was the collector for everything going on in Canton at the present time; that Kimmel could be found at the "Lake of the Pines", Hartville, Ohio, but that he (Turner) considered Kimmel a "sneaky" person and did not know whether Kimmel could be trusted to furnish reliable information to an Agent, although he (Kimmel) would know whether Benson Groves or Turk Brennan was located around Canton at the present time.

Kimmel and Turner had formerly been partners, operating the Delmonico saloon, and Turner had received a letter from Kimmel recently asking about a settlement of \$600.00 on the interest that Turner still had in the place. Turner stated that at one time Kimmel and Buwick were planning on robbing a bank, but he (Turner) found out about it and talked Kimmel out of the idea. Turner had heard that Kimmel had recently been engaged in the bootlegging business subsequent to Prohibition, and that if Kimmel were approached by an Agent, a scare might be thrown into him through a possible suggestion of prosecution along this line if Kimmel failed to furnish the information desired.

Another party who was well acquainted with the underworld characters around Canton, is a Jew named Stahler (first name not recalled by Turner), who is at present a bartender operating in a saloon about a block west of the market. Turner did not know the name of the saloon in which this party worked.

Turner advised that another party who might furnish information was Jack Sarkass (phonetic), an Assyrian. Sarkass, he believed, is dealing in "hot" cigarettes, as he had approached Turner on one occasion trying to get him to sell some of them.

Turner further stated that last summer a man named Niell Grand, who is a brother of the deputy sheriff or game warden at Canton, Ohio, came through Flint with four or five other men not known to Turner and advised that he (Grand) was going to the home of a man named Stein, who was running a gambling place on some lake about one hundred miles northwest of Flint, Michigan; that he had mentioned the name of this lake but Turner had forgotten what it was, and that in studying the map of Michigan he was unable to recognize the name of it. Turner stated, however, that Niell Grand would know the name of this lake, and that it was possibly a hide-

out for fugitives.

Regarding "Hap" Webster, Turner stated that he did not know this party until he came to Flint, though he believed he had seen him around Canton, Ohio while living there. He stated he had understood that Webster was a gambler but that his reputation was good otherwise. He knows Webster quite well at the present time and stated he would ascertain from him if he knew where Turk Brennan was in the hope that through locating this party, the Bureau might locate Benson Groves.

While Agent was talking with Harry Turner, Mrs. Harry Turner looked at the photograph of Benson Groves and stated that she believed that she had seen this man around Flint, Michigan during the last two years, although she could not recall where. She was questioned closely regarding this, and stated that she was unable to remember just where it was she had seen him or how often. She stated that if she should recall the time and place she had seen this person, she would let her husband know and he could advise the Detroit Field Division.

Harry Turner advised that if he received any information regarding Benson Groves or Turk Brennan, he would immediately notify the Detroit Division, and a franked envelope was left for his convenience in this regard.

It is being left to the discretion of the Cleveland Division as to whether an Agent should meet Harry Turner when he visits Canton, and no lead is being set out in this regard.

Agent noted that there was a hotel directly behind the beer parlor operated by Harry Turner and proceeded to interview L. H. STAPLEFORD, proprietor of the Milton Hotel, 4326 Milton Drive, Flint, Michigan, after ascertaining from the Police Department that this party was reliable.

Mr. Stapleford stated that recently his place had been raided about 2:00 A.M. by the police, who showed him a picture of a man named Groves, and searched his register for the name and aliases of this party but were unable to find anything in regard thereto. He was shown the photographs of Benson Groves and Turk Brennan and advised that the photograph of Groves looked very familiar to him, but he did not believe he had ever stayed at the Milton Hotel. He was unable to place this party, but felt certain that he had seen him around town. Mr. Stapleford was questioned as to whether he had ever

frequented "Hap" Webster's place, and advised that he had never been out to that place.

At the Identification Bureau of the Detroit Police Department, a search of the records failed to reveal anything under the name of Benson Groves. However, there was a fingerprint card found on a Cleveland circular, showing the name of George Wilson as being wanted in Cleveland, Ohio. Nothing else was in this file, but the fingerprint classifications of Wilson and Groves were the same. The same photograph of Turk Brennan was found in the Detroit Police Department files as had been obtained from Lieutenant Martin at Flint. There was no other available information.

Agent made inquiries at various departments of the Detroit Police Department, but the only one at which any information regarding Turk Brennan was discovered was through Deputy Chief of Detectives William J. Collins, who stated that Turk Brennan was wanted by the Detroit Police Department about fifteen years ago and he believed he was living in Highland Park, a separately incorporated city within the city limits of Detroit. Collins recalled that they attempted to locate Brennan in Highland Park but were advised by the Toledo Police Department that Brennan had been arrested in that city and therefore made no further inquiries.

Chief of Police Dan Patch, Highland Park Police Department, Highland Park, Michigan, was interviewed and stated he was unable to recall anyone by the name of Turk Brennan, alias John Horn. Captain Charles Cook, Highland Park Police Department, was also interviewed and furnished similar information. He checked the arrest cards, chauffeur's and driver's license cards of his office, but was unable to find anything regarding Turk Brennan, John Brennan or John Horn.

The 1936 Detroit City Directory fails to show any Turk Brennan, although it does show numerous John Brennans and John Horns, but these individuals were not checked and will not be checked unless further information is received from the office of origin. Similar information was found in the Detroit Telephone Directory.

During the course of the investigation at Detroit and Flint, Michigan, Agent was shown an Identification Order issued by the Post Office Department, #99941-D, dated October 5, 1936, with a different photograph thereon of Benson Groves than the one in the files of this office. This photograph shows Groves to be a much older man. The Identification Order requested that if Groves were located he be held for the robbery of a mail train, and for his apprehension there was offered a \$2,000 reward.

Sheriff Thomas Wilcox, Wayne County, Detroit, Michigan, was interviewed and advised that he was not familiar with the names of Turk Brennan or Benson Groves, with aliases, but that if Agent desired he would make photographs of Groves and Brennan from the photographs in Agent's possession and show them to his men in an effort to locate these parties. Sheriff Wilcox was advised that it was thought that Groves might be in contact with Turk Brennan at the present time, and that if Brennan's whereabouts could be discreetly established, the Bureau might be interested in making a surveillance of same with the possibility of locating Benson Groves.

Sheriff Wilcox thought it advisable, therefore, to have his men make discreet inquiry regarding the possible location of Turk Brennan in or around Detroit at the present time. He was allowed to use the photographs of these two men for the purpose of having copies made. Two copies of the photograph of Turk Brennan were obtained for Agent, one of which is being returned with the original obtained from Flint, Michigan to Lieutenant Ray Martin. Lieutenant Martin had requested that if photographs were made, he be furnished with one of the new ones. The other photograph is being forwarded with copies of this report to the Cleveland Field Division.

Ray Scates, in charge of the Investigative Bureau of the Sheriff's Office, Wayne County, Michigan, was interviewed regarding Turk Brennan. He advised that this name was not familiar to him and that he had no information as to Brennan's having been around Detroit recently.

Robert White, in charge of the Identification Bureau, Wayne County Sheriff's Office, was interviewed, and after checking his files stated that he had no record of anyone by the name of Turk Brennan or John Horn, and that these names were not familiar to him.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND FIELD DIVISION at Canton, Ohio, will make discreet inquiries regarding the person known as "Dutch" who operates the gasoline filling station at the place known as Death Curve near Canton, Ohio, to determine if he is identical with Benson Groves.

Will make arrangements, if deemed advisable, to interview Jack Sarkass, Mike McKinney, George Green, Gladys Gould, Stahler, and Ewrick, who are supposed to be well known to the Canton, Ohio Police Department and whose addresses can be ascertained through that organization. Such interviews would be toward the end of locating either Benson Groves or Turk Brennan.

Will ascertain the reliability of Niell Grand, and if deemed advisable will interview this party, reported to be the brother of either a deputy sheriff or game warden at Canton, Ohio, and discreetly question him regarding the present whereabouts of Turk Brennan and Benson Groves. Will also ascertain the name of the lake he was at in Michigan during the summer of 1936, at which time he was accompanied by several other men, supposed to be from Canton, Ohio.

It will be noted that Harry Turner does not desire to be connected with the investigation in the Cleveland District, and therefore his name should not be mentioned.

At Hartville, Ohio, will interview Bill Kimmel at Lake of the Pines, regarding any information he may have regarding the present whereabouts of Turk Brennan or Benson Groves.

THE DETROIT FIELD DIVISION at Flint, Michigan, will again contact the Chief of Police of that city for any additional information which he may have developed since Agent's last visit.

Will again interview Harry Turner, 4341 S. Saginaw, for any additional information he may have obtained.

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## Laboratory Report

Case: Unknown Subjects;  
Edsel Ford - Victim;  
Extortion.

March 2, 1937

Number: 7-291-179

Specimens: Compare handwriting of Cassius McDonald in the BREKID  
case #7-576-13674 with that in the case entitled, Unknown  
Subjects; Edsel Ford - Victim; Extortion, #7-291.

Examination requested by: Detroit  
Date received: 2-19-37  
Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Fickering

It is believed that Cassius McDonald did not write the handprinted  
extortion letter to Edsel Ford.

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7-576-13755  
7-281Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.Re: Unknown Subjects;  
Edsel Ford - Victim;  
Extortion.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division February 19, 1937.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure:

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Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Schilder  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Tracy  
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PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE CLEVELAND DIVISION TELETYPE FIRST INSTANT, THOROUGH INVESTIGATION AT WYANDOTTE, MICHIGAN DISCLOSES PETE MASON UNKNOWN. NO PERSON BY THAT NAME OR DESCRIPTION HAS EVER OPERATED ROOMING HOUSE OR HAD BUSINESS DEALINGS OF THAT NATURE IN THAT CITY. DISCREET INVESTIGATION CONCERNING BENSON GROVES ALSO NEGATIVE.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
March 2, 1937.

Time - 10:53 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. MacFarland at the Cleveland Office with respect to the exhuming of the body at Toledo supposed to be that of Dr. Moran. I told him that your instructions are for this to be done if it can be done without publicity. I told him that the Chicago Office is going to furnish to him all data and information in the files of that office as to means in which the body might be identified, and when this information is received, I told him we will decide how we will proceed. Particular concern in this matter is centered around a possible leak in the coroner's office, but when we are in a position to proceed, we will try to work out something which will prevent publicity.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
March 2, 1937.

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Time - 10:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

*EAT* ✓

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Ladd at the Chicago Office with respect to the letter which Mr. Connelley wrote to the Chicago Office recently in which he suggests that the Chicago Office summarize from its file all of the information previously developed as to the X-Ray plates of Dr. Joseph P. Moran showing the shrapnel, dental work, etc. I told Mr. Ladd we would like to have this information summarized and furnished to the Cleveland Office as soon as possible. I told him we are going to exhume that body over there, and if we can make a positive identification, it will eliminate the necessity of our hunting for Dr. Moran for years to come.

Mr. Ladd assured me that this would be taken care of at once.

Respectfully,

*EAT*

E. A. TAMM.

7-576-13758

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1937.

Time - 3:55 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

The secretary to Congressman J. Mark Wilcox telephoned me and said that Mrs. Carson Bradford is in the Congressman's office at this time and wants to come down and see someone in the Bureau. Mrs. Bradford is the owner of the house at Lake Weir, Florida, where Ma Barker and her son, Freddie, were exterminated by the Agents. He said that Mr. Hoover had written Mrs. Bradford a nice letter in which he said that the Bureau was in sympathy with her cause, and today, the Congressman introduced a bill into Congress calling for the payment to her of compensation as a result of the damage done to her property at the time of the raid.

I told the secretary that if Mrs. Bradford would come to the Bureau, we would be glad to have someone talk to her. However, I took occasion to point out to him that as a matter of policy, the Bureau does not comment upon bills pending in Congress. I told him that bills respecting matters concerning the Department of Justice are referred to the Attorney General, who obtains a statement of the facts, and returns the bill to Congress with his comments.

Mrs. Bradford subsequently called at my office and talked with Mr. Foxworth, who is submitting a memorandum.

Respectfully,

RECORDED E. A. TAMM.  
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1443 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 2, 1937

Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan

Re: MURKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter to your Division dated at Cleveland, Ohio, March 1, 1937, relative to the reported presence of BENSON JACOBS at a rooming house operated by Pete Mason at Wyandotte, Michigan.

Enclosed herewith you will find a photograph of Peter Mason, alias Peter Morziszinski, John Mason, "Soup House Pete", "Peter the Leg", Petro Morzinski, Petek Mizeisinski, Peter Mzeczinski, which was obtained from the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department.

The description of Peter Mason, as reflected by the records of the Identification Bureau of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, is as follows:

Age	57
Height	5' 9"
Weight	155 lbs.
Eyes	Chestnut
Hair	Dark chestnut
Complexion	Fair
Build	Medium slender
Nativity	Pennsylvania
Marks	Ankylosis, 3rd joint, right index finger; other fingers injured
Fingerprint classification	10 UOO 15 18 UOO
Race	White
Occupation	Steam fitter

The criminal record of this individual, as obtained from the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, Bureau of Identification, reflects the following:

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It is requested that your Division return to the Cleveland Division the photograph of Mason, when it has served its purpose in your district.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati  
S.J. Connelley, Tacoma  
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
March 1, 1937.

Time - 6:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Tacoma, Washington, and told him we were wondering what remained to be done in the vicinity of Cleveland and Toledo in connection with the harboring cases growing out of the activities of the subjects of the Bremer Case there.

Mr. Connelley said there are a few leads and possibilities at Toledo. Dill and Dickstein, who are now freed from their assignments on the Vandebush Case, will start at once on the investigation of these leads, after which Dill will return to general assignment at Cleveland and Dickstein will return to his headquarters. Mr. Connelley believes they should be able to complete the investigation of these leads within a week.

At Cleveland, Wynn is making a supplemental summary on Milton Lett in order to bring that angle up to date. He said that Murphy is now in Cleveland, this making Murphy, Kitchin and Wynn who are working on the leads in that vicinity. Mr. Connelley believes that these Agents will be able to clean up all of the work remaining there within a week or ten days.

I mentioned to Mr. Connelley that Murphy has written to you asking that he be sent back to his headquarters as soon as possible so that he can get back to his wife and family. Mr. Connelley said that he should be able to get out of there within ten days.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

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REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Louis, Missouri.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-1-37</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-20, 22-37</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. S. Bush</b> <span style="float: right;">A</span>
TITLE <b>GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases--FUGITIVE, IO 1232 etal; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Biltmore Country Club, near St. Louis, closed. No indication Milton Lett has been near Venice, Ill., and apparently not in E. St. Louis at present, but deputy sheriff there states believes he has seen him in the past.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> Report of Special Agent J. S. Bush, St. Louis, 10-20-36.</p> <p><b>Details:</b></p> <p>Agent exhibited photograph of Milton Lett to Chief of Police Harry Hartmann, Venice, Ill., who is personally acquainted with all employees of the gambling establishment operated by John T. Soy and who has previously given this Division his whole-hearted cooperation in the investigation of matters in that vicinity. Mr. Hartmann stated he has never seen anyone resembling Lett in the vicinity of Venice.</p> <p>It was ascertained that the Biltmore Country Club, located a few miles southwest of St. Louis, was closed during the month of November, 1936.</p> <p>Chief of Police George Byrnes, E. St. Louis, Ill., stated he had been unable to procure any information indicating Lett had been in the vicinity of E. St. Louis. Adam C. Fritz, mentioned in the report of reference, has opened a gambling establishment on Broadway in E. St. Louis; however, Mr. Byrnes, as well as Deputy Sheriff Dan Harris, who is well acquainted with gamblers in E. St. Louis, stated no one resembling Lett was employed there. Mr. Harris stated that he believed he had seen Lett in E. St. Louis in the past and that he would make discreet inquiry of several informants within the next few days and advise agent of any information procured from these individuals.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Undeveloped Lead</u></p> <p><b>ST. LOUIS DIVISION. At E. St. Louis, Illinois:</b> Will re-interview Deputy Sheriff Dan Harris for any information he may procure regarding Milton Lett.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>P E N D I N G</b></p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. W. [Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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March 4, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES SECTION

Attached hereto are signed  
statements of Selig Miller and Joseph A.  
Richter, dated February 15 and February 16,  
1937, respectively, which were personally  
handed to me by Special Agent Louis Loebel,  
to be placed in an envelope and filed in  
the Bremer kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

E. A. Tamm.

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**FROM**

**Department of Justice**

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Miami, Florida,  
February 15, 1937.

I, Selig Miller, at present residing at the Patricia Hotel, Miami, make the following statement to Special Agents Louis Loebel and S. K. McKee, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice:

I reside at Baltimore, Maryland, and I am associated in the pawnbroking business there with my father, H. D. Miller, at 423 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

One day about two years ago, late in the afternoon, Benny Franklin, whom I have known for a great number of years and who has been a good customer of our firm, came to the store and asked me and my father whether we knew a man by the name of Knight in Miami, Florida. We informed Franklin that we did not know such a man. Whereupon Franklin asked us if we could recommend someone in Miami who would know Knight and who could put him in touch with Knight because he had a very important matter to discuss with him.

Either my father or I informed Franklin then that we had a couple of dependable attorneys in Miami to whom we could refer him, and that we also had a business friend there who could be depended upon and whose name was Joseph A. Richter, in the jewelry business, located at Miami, Florida. Franklin then told us that some attorney in Baltimore had approached him and told him that Knight's son-in-law was in some kind of trouble and that he thought he could do something in his behalf. Franklin then asked us whether we had any objection to giving him a telephonic introduction to Richter so that he might talk to him about this matter. This was agreeable to us as we wanted to do Franklin a favor as a business favor.

I walked uptown with Franklin and from a telephone booth in the Lord Baltimore Hotel I put in a long distance call for Richter at his home in Miami, and Franklin paid for the call by dropping into the coin box the required amount for the toll charge. After I talked with Richter and told him that Franklin, who was with me, was a friend of the firm and was a reliable man and wanted Richter to do something for him in Miami, Franklin took the telephone, closed the door of the booth, and talked with Richter. After Franklin came out from the booth he told me that Richter consented to have a talk

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with Knight, although he did not know him personally, ~~and Richter~~  
~~was to call Franklin back after he had talked with Knight.~~ Franklin  
told me the next day that he had talked with Knight and that Knight  
was coming on to Baltimore by plane directly. The following day, or  
the next, about 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, as we were ready to  
close the store for the day, Richter and a man came in and Richter  
introduced him as a Mr. Knight, from Miami. Neither I nor my father  
attached any significance to Richter coming with Knight as we had  
been expecting Richter anyway in connection with a rare gold coin  
deal which we had been negotiating with Richter at that time.

Upon the arrival of Richter and Knight, I called up Benny  
Franklin's place to tell him that Knight was here but I was told at  
Franklin's place that he was not there and had gone out. A short  
time later Franklin came to the store and Richter introduced him to  
Knight, as I recall it. If I remember well, Richter greeted Franklin  
as if they had met before. Knight then spoke up and said he was go-  
ing to the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Whereupon I, with Franklin and Knight,  
walked up the street to the Baltimore Hotel, while Richter and my  
father went home.

Upon arriving at the hotel, either Knight or Franklin extended  
an invitation for dinner and the three of us had dinner in the dining  
room of the hotel. There was nothing said during the dinner within  
my hearing by either Franklin or Knight that had anything to do with  
the purpose of Knight's coming to Baltimore, the conversation being  
just a general conversation. After dinner, it must have been a little  
after 7:00 or 7:30 o'clock, Knight stepped to the desk and registered  
and then he and Franklin went up to his room. I accompanied them to  
the elevator and then departed and went home, where I joined my fath-  
er and Mr. Richter.

This was the last I saw of Knight. I never spoke to him after  
that, neither in Baltimore nor Miami. I positively state that I did  
not go up to Mr. Knight's room at the hotel and did not hear any of  
the conversation between Knight and Franklin about this matter, and  
also state that the first time I have learned of any story about  
\$10,000.00, or any such amount, being involved in Franklin's quest for  
a contact with Knight was when Mr. Loeb and Mr. McKee told me about  
it.

This is all I know about this matter, and this is a true statement so far as I can remember.

(Signed) *Selig Miller*  
Selig Miller.

Sworn to before me at Miami, Florida, this 15th day of February, 1937.

WITNESS:

*S. K. McKee*  
S. K. McKee,  
Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice,  
Miami, Florida.

*Louis Loeb*  
Louis Loeb  
Special Agent, Federal Bureau of  
Investigation, United States  
Department of Justice, Miami, Fla.

Miami, Florida,  
February 16, 1937.

I, Joseph A. Richter, residing at 1893 S.W. 10th Street, Miami, Florida, engaged in the jewelry business at 168 East Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, have been informed that I am making this statement to Special Agents Louis Losbl and S. K. McKee, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who advised me as to my constitutional rights and informed me that whatever statement I make may or may not be held against me in any court. My statement, as near as it is possible to my best knowledge and belief, is as follows:

Some time in May or June, 1935, I was called at my home between 7:00 and 8:00 o'clock in the evening (telephone 3-2372) by Mr. Selig Miller, of Baltimore, who is the son of H. D. Miller, with whom I have been in close business relationship for a great number of years. Mr. Miller spoke to me in connection with some rare gold coins which I was supposed to look over in Baltimore for the purpose of considering the purchase of same, and I informed Mr. Miller that I would be in Baltimore very shortly to negotiate about that deal. Miller then said "By the way, do you know a man by the name of Knight in Miami?" I told Miller that I knew several Knights, among them a man by the name of Knight who is in the hotel business and is interested in a dog race track.

Miller told me then that an old friend of his and his father's by the name of Frank, or Franklin, I don't recall the name, asked him about this man Knight, and that this man Frank, or Franklin, was trying to get in touch with Knight to talk to him about an important matter. Miller then told me that he had that man, Mr. Frank or Franklin, with him and that he would talk to me personally. The other man then continued the conversation and told me that his name was Mr. Franklin and he just wanted Miller to give him an introduction to me.

Mr. Franklin asked me whether I knew a man by the name of Knight who is in the hotel business. I told him that I did not know Knight personally. Franklin then asked me if I could get in touch with him and deliver a message. I told him that I thought I probably could but I suggested that Franklin get in touch with Knight, himself, and I told him that Knight could be reached at the El Comodoro Hotel at Miami, of which Knight is the owner. Franklin then suggested that he was going to get in touch with Knight and that in the meantime I should get in touch with him and tell him that a man by the name of Franklin is going to call him on an important business, and that this Franklin is the man who was

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introduced to me by Miller in Baltimore over the phone. Franklin asked me to tell Knight that he, Franklin, had an attorney friend in Washington who could do him a lot of good in regard to the trouble Knight's son-in-law was in. I told Franklin that I would call up Knight and give him the message. I called up Knight at the El Comodoro Hotel about 8:30 or 9:00 o'clock that evening, and told him I received a long distance message from my old friend, Mr. Miller, at Baltimore, whom I have known for a number of years as an absolutely dependable and honest man; that Miller gave me a telephonic introduction to a man by the name of Franklin, who asked me to get in touch with Knight and tell him that he, Franklin, had some one in Washington who could be of great help to Mr. Knight. Knight then asked me to call at the hotel and I went to the El Comodoro Hotel and met Knight in the lobby of the hotel. I had not known Knight before, and he was pointed out to me by the clerk at the hotel.

I introduced myself to Knight and we sat down in the lobby and I told him what message I was asked to deliver from a Mr. Franklin in Baltimore. Knight then asked me what it was all about and I told him that I did not know; that the understanding was that Franklin was to call him on the phone, and that I was to wait at home until I got a call from Knight to come over to the hotel and give Franklin a telephonic introduction to Knight. I then went home, and a little later I received a telephone call from Mr. Knight, who stated that he had just been called by long distance phone from Baltimore and that the party was going to call back and for me to come to the hotel directly so that I would be there when the party called and identify Mr. Knight.

I immediately returned to the Hotel El Comodoro, which must have been at about 11:00 o'clock that evening. Knight was in the lobby waiting for me and told me that he had just got a call from Mr. Franklin from Baltimore, who told him that he had <sup>an</sup> influential attorney friend in Washington who could do Knight a lot of good with respect to the trouble of his son-in-law. While we were talking there the telephone rang and Knight said that he thought this must be the long distance call from Baltimore which he was expecting. We then walked into a little office in back of the information desk at the hotel and Mr. Knight answered the phone and then told me that it was Franklin from Baltimore, who asked Knight to put me on the phone. I took the phone and the man at the other end said "Hello, are you with Mr. Knight now?" and I replied "Yes". Then he said "This is Franklin; put Mr. Knight on the Phone." I said

all right, and Mr. Knight took the phone and talked to Mr. Franklin a few words and then Mr. Knight told me that Franklin did not want any one to hear the conversation so he asked me to step out for a minute. I left the office and went to the Tap Room of the hotel to get a drink. Shortly thereafter Knight came into the lobby and told me that Franklin had informed him that I was going to Baltimore on a business trip in a day or two and Knight said he would like to go with me so that I would be able to introduce him to Mr. Miller and Mr. Franklin. I told Knight that I had in mind going and, in fact, I was going tomorrow morning by plane. Mr. Knight said he was very sorry he could not go tomorrow morning because his daughter was rather sick, and that he thought he could leave tomorrow night.

I then went home and while reading the paper another telephone call came from Mr. Knight, which was at about midnight or about 12:30 A.M. Knight told me that he had decided to join me and that he would meet me at the Airport in the morning. I met Knight the next morning at the Airport and we flew to Washington, arriving there at about 5:00 o'clock that afternoon. Upon arrival at Washington Knight said that he thought he would stay over in Washington because he would like to talk with a friend of his in the hotel business, and would also like to talk with another friend who is a senator or congressman whom he would like to see first. However, Knight changed his mind a few minutes later and decided to proceed to Baltimore with me. We took a taxi from the Union Station and from there a train to Baltimore, arriving there around 6:00 P.M., or a little later. During the trip while on the plane or the train nothing was said by Knight or me about this case, except that Knight mentioned on one occasion that the Government got his son-in-law hooked up with some outfit and that his son-in-law is accused of keeping some party, or parties, in the hotel, and that this got him into some trouble with the Government.

When we arrived at Miller's place on East Baltimore Street the place was about ready to close. I introduced Knight to Miller and his son, and then a few minutes later a man came to the store and one of the Millers introduced me and Mr. Knight to that man as being Mr. Franklin. I have never met this man Franklin before. Selig Miller, Knight and Franklin then left for the hotel, and Old Miller and I drove home and had dinner there. About half an hour or so later Selig Miller came home and joined us. I cannot recall whether Selig said something about his being with Knight and Franklin at the Hotel. I stayed in Baltimore a day or two, transacted my business concerning the coins, which I then purchased, and returned to Miami. I have not seen Franklin or

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heard from him since then, and I have not talked with Knight since then except probably on one occasion about a month later when I met Knight on the street and we talked about some general matters having no connection with this affair whatsoever.

During my dealings with Harry Miller, Selig Miller, T. R. Knight and Benny Franklin, I at no time had any conversation with any of these persons about the payment of \$10,000.00, or any other amount, to any parties for the settlement of the trouble in which Mr. Knight's son-in-law was involved.

I make the above statement of my own accord, freely, without any coercion, intimidation or promise of any character.

(Signed)

Joseph A. Richter  
Joseph A. Richter.

Sworn to before me at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of February, 1937.

WITNESS:

S. K. McKee  
S. K. McKee, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
Miami, Florida.

Louis Loebl  
Louis Loebl, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
Miami, Florida.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-39**

REPORT MADE AT <b>PITTSBURGH, PA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-2-37</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-9 to 11, 15, 18-37</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F. G. TILLMAN</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Reed and Ray Groves, Wheeling, W. Va., not related to Benson Groves although Reed Groves refers to him as uncle. Jack Woods not located. Harry Williams alias "New York Blackie", Lloyd Girard, Tom Parue, former associates of Groves. Mrs. Raymond Scanlan, sister-in-law of Groves. Luke Garvey, former Chief of Police, Benwood, W. Va., advises Turk and Phil Brennan, East Liverpool, probably presently associating with Groves.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agents E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, 2-5-37; F. G. Tillman, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 2-9-37.</p> <p>DETAILS: <span style="float: right;">AT WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA</span></p> <p>DR. R. M. PEDICHORD, Health Department, searched his records for the purpose of locating John "Jack" Woods, a bartender who, according to the reference report of Special Agent Wynn, may have been employed at Elm Grove, West Virginia, without result. Dr. Pedichord, who has practiced medicine in Elm Grove and vicinity for more than twenty years, stated that he does not recall any bartenders in greater Wheeling, which includes Elm Grove, bearing that name, other than Dan Woods, the proprietor of a bar at Glenwood, W. Va.</p> <p>DAN WOODS, age 40, stated that he is not known as Jack and although he has been in Elm Grove for years, has not heard of a John or Jack</p>			
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Woods and does not know Benson Groves. As Dr. Pedichord stated that Dan Woods is of good reputation, it is not believed that he is identical with the person mentioned in reference report. James McDermott, a health officer, advised that B. J. Woods operates a tavern at 14th and Water Streets, Wheeling. B. J. WOODS, age about 35 years, stated that he does not know any bartenders with the surname of Woods other than Dan Woods, previously referred to. Woods further stated that he is not acquainted with Benson Groves. In view of the difference between the age of B. J. Wood and Benson Groves, it does not appear that he is the Jack Woods previously mentioned. Further, B. J. Woods stated that he has never been known as Jack.

In company with Mr. McDermott, whose duties bring him in contact with bartenders, Gurbin Weisand, bartender at Zimmie's, 23rd and Main Streets, Wheeling, and Maurice Humbert, 2133 Market Street, an old ex-bartender, were interviewed. Both of these men stated that they had never heard of a John or Jack Woods having been employed as a bartender in this vicinity. Humbert stated that he knows Benson Groves although he has not seen him for more than eighteen years. He also stated that Mont Boner, Benwood, West Virginia, is the only bartender whom he knows is acquainted with Groves.

Mr. McDermott stated that Reed Groves, a shiftless character and a drunkard who always appeared to have money yet rarely worked, frequented the homes of hoodlums at Hervey Heights, Wheeling, an isolated section. At the home of "Doc" Panelli alias Doc Merrill, Hervey Heights, Charley Healey, a slot machine operator and bootlegger, stated that Reed Groves told him about a year ago that "Soup" Groves was in jail and that he has not subsequently heard Reed Groves make any statements as to his contacts with Groves or his whereabouts. In connection with the alleged relationship between Reed Groves and Benson Groves, Healey stated that Reed frequently referred to him as his uncle, and, particularly when drunk, told of his exploits and the "jobs" "Soup" Groves had pulled. Healey denied having seen Benson Groves at any time or having any knowledge concerning his associates or whereabouts.

"DOC" PANELLI stated that he had not heard of Benson Groves in years and had no knowledge of his associates or hangouts.

WALTER SAUVAGEOT, 157 - 29th Street Boulevard, who, according to McDermott is a numbers runner and bootlegger, told that he is well acquainted with Reed Groves who continually talked about his

"uncle" "Soup" Groves, - what a "great guy" "Soup" was and the money which he had secured in robberies. Sauvageot described Reed Groves as a "rum head" and is of the opinion that he does not know what he is talking about. He also feels that Reed Groves thinks he is increasing his prestige by claiming relationship with Benson Groves. However, Sauvageot could not say whether or not the two are in fact related, although Reed Groves is sometimes facetiously called "Soup" because of his references to Benson Groves. According to him, Reed Groves frequents the Arthur Woods Tap Room at 3529 Jacob Street, Wheeling, situated near his home. Sauvageot stated that he has never heard the proprietor of this saloon called Jack. McDermott advised that Arthur Woods is a man less than forty years old and has not been long in the liquor business.

No inquiry was made at this tap room in view of the information which "Goaty" Samuels is attempting to elicit from Reed Groves although it does not appear at this time that Reed Groves has any actual knowledge of Benson Groves.

Mr. J. H. Lewis and Lieutenant Hammond Davis, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Police at Wheeling, advised that William O'Neill, former Lieutenant of Police for that railroad, was now at Bellaire, Ohio.

With respect to the police in office at Benwood and Bellaire during the period in which Benson Groves was at Wheeling or Benwood, Mr. Davis stated that Coney Mahone, former Chief, and Captain Humbell, both of Bellaire, were now deceased and that Luke Sauer, former Chief of Police at Benwood, was presently residing at Bellaire and could be located through a Miss Stieger.

#### AT BELLAIRE, OHIO

Chief of Police Francis Moran advised that William C. O'Neill is presently employed as a policeman by the Weirton Steel Company, Weirton, W. Va., as is Dave Tyson, a former Chief of Police at Benwood. Mr. Moran suggested that Tyson may have some information regarding Groves, although his term was brief and about twenty years ago.

LUKE SAUER, Belmont Street, Bellaire, advised that he recalled Benson Groves but had no information to offer other than that which has been set forth in the reference report of the writer with respect to the death of Mahood and the inquiry of Goeglein in an explosion at Bucyrus, Ohio. Mr. Sauer stated that he was Chief of Police at Benwood from 1914 to 1919 being succeeded by *negative*

Herman Speck and Ollie Landers, both deceased, who were Chiefs from 1918 to 1920, and 1920 to 1922, respectively. Mr. Sauer believes that the Chief immediately preceding him was Dave Tyson, hereinbefore mentioned.

AT PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

With reference to the conviction of Groves on January 9, 1917 at Parkersburg for theft from interstate shipment, Captain Earnest Chapman informed that he had no information about Groves other than such as is generally known about Benwood, which proved to be identical with that previously set forth with respect to his reputation. Mr. Chapman stated that the records reflecting the activity of the former Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway, now the Panhandle Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, will probably now be in the custody of Captain John W. Shumaker, Pennsylvania Railroad Police, 612 PRR Station, Pittsburgh, Pa., if such have been preserved.

LUKE GARVEY, a former Chief of Police at Benwood, W. Va., now residing at the Chancellor Hotel, Parkersburg, who was said to have been on intimate terms with, and afforded asylum to, the safe-blower of the past generation, furnished information identical to that previously secured with respect to the former activities of Groves and the death of Mahood and injury of Geogelein and their connection with the theft from interstate shipment, set forth above.

Mr. Garvey related that during his term as Chief of Police he offered asylum to the numerous safe-blowers and other criminals with the understanding that they would not "pull" any jobs at Benwood and vicinity and that he therefore did not have a good reputation as a policeman but gained a wide acquaintance among the crooks of his day. Mr. Garvey stated that he now only occasionally came in contact with them and has lost touch with the old timers, most of whom are deceased, without becoming familiar with the new criminals. It may be stated that subsequent to his term as Chief of Police, Garvey has been employed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and the Pennsylvania Railroad but is now retired.

Garvey stated that he has not seen Groves for more than eight or ten years and has not corresponded with him or received any information concerning Groves through his associates in recent years. With respect to his associates and the identities of the criminals who sought asylum at Benwood, Garvey furnished the names of Harry Williams alias New York Blackie, who may be the Blackie referred to in the reference report of Agent Wynn. He also furnished the names of Lloyd Girard, Cleveland, Ohio, and Tom Parue and his brother of Tonowanda, N.Y.

Garvey could not furnish the address of Williams other than that his origin was in the New England States. This individual may also be the "Jersey Blackie" referred to by Alfred Clator of Wheeling, as being a former inmate of the Ohio State Penitentiary.

According to Garvey, Roy DeAutremont and Gerald Chapman frequented Benwood and were known to Groves as were other notorious criminals of past days whose names Garvey could not recall. Garvey believes that Turk and Phil Brennan may be present contacts of Groves as he was well acquainted with them, Turk being a "Soup" man. Garvey stated, as set out in Agent Wynn's report, that Phil Brennan is operating a saloon at East Liverpool, Ohio. Garvey was unable to furnish the names of Groves' present associates or the identities of the places or persons whom he may contact. Garvey does not feel that he will return to Benwood as he is very well known there and does not have any intimate friends. However, if Groves visits Benwood, Mr. Garvey believes that he would get in touch with Clark Sprout, Mrs. Raymond Scanlan, or Mont Boner. All of these persons have been previously mentioned.

Garvey stated that he does not know a bartender or any person bearing the name of Jack Woods and does not recall such a person being a friend of Benson Groves.

The reference report of the writer erroneously states that Mrs. Raymond Scanlan, McMechen, West Virginia, was the former wife of Everett Mahood, deceased. Garvey advised, as did Deputy Sheriff Sam Mahood at Moundsville, that she is the widow of Harry Groves, the only brother of Benson Groves and the mother of H. H. Groves. Mr. Garvey stated that Fred Frazier, former Chief of Police at Wheeling, is related to Clark Sprout and therefore is a distant cousin of Benson Groves, and feels that Frazier may be able to furnish some information concerning Groves' friends in view of his former position and the interest he would have in Groves because of the relationship.

It is believed that Garvey will be able to state the extent of the association with Groves of various individuals if such is desired, as he appears to have an extensive knowledge of his former friends. However, he was unable to recall many of their names, stating that he believed he could remember if some name or event was brought to his attention.

AT PADEN CITY and SISTERSVILLE, W. VA.

An inquiry was made of Hazel Paden, Assistant Postmaster, Paden City, and E. E. Tuttle, Clerk, Post Office, Sistersville, and



several merchants in each of these towns without locating or securing any information concerning Albert Ketzal.

An effort was made to interview Fred Frazier at Warwood, West Virginia, and Jack Bursee at Benwood, without success.

Sergeant Howard Millard and Chief Albert C. Megale, Wheeling, advised on February 18, 1937, that they received no additional information from Goaty Samuels as Samuels has not yet employed Reed Groves, as set forth in the reference report of the writer.

#### AT MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

The relatives of Benson Groves were again discussed with Sam Mahood, Deputy Sheriff, Moundsville, at which time he stated that Reed and Ray Groves were not relatives of Benson Groves; that Benson Groves had only one brother, Harry Groves, now deceased, who in turn had one son, H. H. Groves, presently a fugitive from a state warrant at Moundsville, but probably in Steubenville, Ohio, at an unknown address. The widow of Harry Groves, as hereinbefore stated, is now the wife of Raymond Scanlan, McMechen, West Virginia. The other relatives of Groves have been previously mentioned.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CINCINNATI FIELD DIVISION AT STEUBENVILLE, OHIO, will attempt to locate H. H. Groves, a nephew of Benson Groves, and if it is determined that Benson Groves is not in contact with him, will question Groves concerning his uncle.

THE PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION AT WEIRTON, WEST VIRGINIA, will interview Dave Tyson and William C. O'Neill, presently employed by the Weirton Steel Corporation, concerning the associates and activities of Benson Groves.

AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, will interview Captain John W. Shumaker, Pennsylvania Railroad Police, concerning the theft from interstate shipment of which Groves was convicted on January 9, 1917 at Parkersburg, and the information appearing in their records with respect to the identity of his associates.

Will interview Jack Bursee and John Lucey, Benwood, W. Va.; William Oser, McMechen, W. Va.; Albert Megale, Howard Millard, Goaty Samuels, Myrtle Geogelein and Reed Groves at Wheeling, W. Va.; Fred Frazier, Warwood, W. Va., and John Niebergall, Sherrard or Limestone, W. Va., as set forth in the reference report of the writer.

When interviewing the above named persons, will endeavor to learn the address of Albert Ketzel and John "Jack" Woods.

No leads are being set out with reference to Harry Williams, Lloyd Girard and Tom Parue, such being left to the discretion of the Division of Origin.

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## MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL McMAHON

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For the Director,

Harold Nathan,  
Assistant Director.

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TITLE GEORGE TIMNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, wa - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Percy S. Lansdowne died 1931 and his son advises his records contain no information relative to location of Frank Williams, George G. Rorke or Fred Williams.  -RUC-  REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. A. Murphy, Trenton, N.J. dated 1/18/37.  DETAILS: <u>AT BUFFALO, N.Y.</u>  By a search through the old City Directories it was ascertained that Percy S. Lansdowne had formerly been a member of the firm of Lansdowne & Lansdowne, 807 D. S. Morgan Building and although the current City Directory did not list Percy S. Lansdowne the firm was still listed at the same address.  Robert J. Lansdowne advised that his father died in 1931 and that he, himself, was admitted to the Bar in 1925 and had had nothing to do with the Williams case although he did remember hearing his father talk about it. He had no personal information concerning the address of Frank Williams at any time and the names of Fred Williams and George Gordon Rorke were unfamiliar to him. He advised he would search the old files and that if he found any information he would advise this division accordingly.  Robert J. Lansdowne telephoned in the afternoon to state that the only papers he could find were legal papers which contained no reference to any address of Frank Williams and that the names of Fred Williams or George Gordon Rorke were not mentioned.  REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO DIVISION OF ORIGIN			
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S U M M A R YTHEODORE (TED) ANGUS AND BERT ANGUS

WYNONA BURDETTE will testify that she, as a woman companion of Harry Campbell, was a female member of the Karpis-Barker gang; that following the kidnaping of Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934, she, Paula Harmon - a woman companion of Fred Barker, Edna Murray - the paramour of Volney Davis, proceeded to Chicago; that during the time that Bremer was held captive, that is, from January 17, to February 7, 1934, she, Willie Harrison and Edna Murray drove to Toledo, Ohio, and went directly to the Casino Club, operated by Ted and Bert Angus, where she and Edna Murray were introduced to Colin Monroe, known as "Cooley" by Willie Harrison; that she then returned to Chicago with Edna Murray and Harrison; that after the release of Bremer, Harry Campbell and Harrison drove her to Toledo and registered at the Algeo Hotel; that they later rented an apartment at the Jarvis Apartments under the name of Winfield where she and Campbell resided for approximately two months; that on or about the first of April, 1934, Campbell rented a house on Summit Street at Point Place, Ohio, under the name of George Winfield; that during the entire time in the Spring and Summer of 1934, while she lived in Toledo with Harry Campbell, she can testify that she associated at the Casino Club, operated by Ted and Bert Angus, with the various members of the Karpis-Barker gang, in particular Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Russell Gibson, Oliver "Izzy" Berg and Harry Campbell; that she can testify that these fugitives frequented the Casino Club and were very friendly with Bert and Ted Angus, being armed at practically all times; that shortly after she and Campbell had moved to 2831-131 Street, Campbell, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis had operations performed by Dr. Moran on their fingertips; that Ted Angus visited Harry Campbell and her several times at that address; she can recall that a short time after Campbell's fingertips had been operated on and while they were at the house that had been procured for them by Ted Angus, a car appearing to be occupied by officers, was parked in front of the house; and that on this account the gang, consisting of Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Harry Campbell and Volney Davis, left the house and drove to the rear of the Casino Club and there talked to Bert Angus, asking and receiving the use of a cottage belonging to Bert Angus; she will also testify concerning the incident at the Casino Club in the presence of Ted Angus when police officers entered the establishment and Harry Campbell ran to the kitchen to secrete his gun; she can also testify concerning a party conducted by Ted Angus at his home where several members of the gang, together with their women companions, were present. This witness can also testify that upon entering St. Vincent's Hospital for treatment she used Ted Angus' address and that it was through the intercession of the Angus brothers that she was admitted.

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It is quite possible that the above witness can testify to other facts if the same are recalled to her mind by an exhaustive interview shortly before trial. No attempt is being made here to state what facts she may be able to add, but it is thought highly possible that the incidents set out above will be elaborated upon.

EDNA MURRAY will testify that she, as the woman companion of Volney Davis, was a female member of the Karpis-Barker gang, and that following the release of the victim, Bremer, she drove to Toledo in the Spring of 1934, first in February and later in May, where she associated with various other members of the gang at the Casino Club operated by Bert and Ted Angus; she will testify that when she first appeared at the Casino Club in an endeavor to locate Volney Davis and other members of the gang she made inquiries through Bert Angus, who told her in the presence of his brother Ted, that the crowd would be into the club later and that they would contact Davis for her.

She will further testify that during the Spring and Summer of 1934 the various members of the gang, including Karpis and "Doc" Barker, frequented the Casino Club and were on friendly terms with Bert and Ted Angus; she will recall that an apartment was rented for herself and Volney Davis under the alias of J. K. Morley or H. J. Morley, an alias commonly used by "Doc" Barker, and that this apartment, located at Collingwood and Cherry Streets, Toledo, Ohio, was rented through the intercession of Bert Angus. It was at this time that Volney Davis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker and Harry Campbell were suffering from the effects of the operations performed on their fingertips and they appeared almost nightly in the Casino Club with their hands and faces bandaged, where both Ted and Bert Angus associated with them.

On the different occasions spent at the Casino Club, Edna Murray can testify that the various members of the gang were often addressed by the Angus brothers by their true names; she can also testify that the members of the gang carried guns practically all the time while visiting the Casino Club, that this was known to Bert and Ted Angus and that Bert Angus on one occasion had laughed and kidded "Doc" Barker when the latter in stooping over had dropped his gun which fell on the floor; that on still another occasion Bert Angus had taken an automatic pistol from behind the bar and handed it over to one of the members of the gang after he had requested it.

On or about May 20, 1934, Edna Murray can testify that she was at the Casino Club with Volney Davis and other members of the gang, some of whom had already been indicted for the Bremer kidnapping, when Volney Davis told Bert Angus that he wanted a new Ford and Bert Angus had said he would get it, after being told to purchase the car under the alias of E. J. or J. E. Powell; she can also introduce evidence to the effect that shortly after she and Volney Davis, in the Summer of 1934, had moved to Sunnyside Beach near Sandusky, Ohio, she had an argument with Davis, left the house and drove alone to the Casino Club one afternoon; that Bert Angus was there at the time and that he told her that Melvin Purvis was in town and she should tell the "boys", referring to the members of the gang, to stay away as he thought the place was "hot"; also that a couple of strange men who were working at the docks had been coming into the Casino Club to drink beer and that he, Bert Angus, thought they were "G-men"; she can further testify that Alvin Karpis did not frequent the Casino Club as much as other members of the gang, but that she recalls on several occasions he talked with Bert and Ted Angus, and that at that time both the hands and face of Karpis were bandaged as he had not entirely recovered from the operations performed on

him by Dr. Moran; she can also recall talking with Bert Angus during the early Summer of 1934 and discussing the joke arrest of Willie Harrison, which had occurred during the month of January, 1934, at that time remarking to Edna that at the time of the arrest "We did not know we were fooling with a bunch of kidnapers." The members of the gang continued to frequent the Casino Club for some time after this conversation.

She can also testify that Bert Angus told her, when she mentioned her desire to enter a hospital, that he could get her admitted to a hospital and no questions would be asked.

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This witness, like Wynona Burdette, will very likely be able to elaborate upon some of the incidents stated above. However, those matters set out constitute evidence available at the present time which can be introduced through the testimony of Edna Murray as regards these two defendants, Ted and Bert Angus. This woman, within a short time before the trial should again be interviewed so that events which have happened approximately three years ago can be recalled to her mind. In this way, it is felt that evidence in addition to that set out above can be obtained.

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MRS. M. B. DUFFY of the Duffy Realty Company, Point Place, Ohio, will testify that the apartment at 2831-131 Street in Toledo, was rented to Harry Campbell under the name of Winfield through the reference of Bert Angus; she called the telephone number given to her by Campbell and talked to Bert Angus and Angus told her over the phone that Harry Campbell, using the alias Winfield, was employed on the boats on the lake.

She will further testify that unfurnished apartment #2 at 4905 Summit Street in Toledo was rented to Fred Barker who gave Ted Angus as reference; that, according to her records, Ted Angus paid the first month rent for this apartment.

ALBERT COYNE of the Showell-Schmitt Realty Company, Ohio Bank Building, Toledo, Ohio, will testify that he telephoned the reference given by Harry Campbell when renting the house at 2831-131 Street and that a person, whom he believed to be Ted Angus, told him over the phone that Winfield (Campbell) was satisfactory; that he worked on the boats on the lake; and that anything he (Coyne) could do for Winfield would be not too good.

MRS. GERARDINE SIEK of 2823-131 Street, Point Place, Ohio, will testify that during the Summer of 1934 she resided next door to 2831-131 Street and that during this time on several occasions observed both Ted and Bert Angus visiting the house occupied by Harry Campbell and his wife under the name of Winfield; during this time, she can also testify, she observed other people visiting this house, identifying Willie Harrison, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Alvin Karpis and James J. Wilson; she can state that she talked with "Doc" Barker in the yard when he was wearing mittens on his hands and that on several occasions, when these persons with their hands bandaged were present, Ted and Bert Angus were also visiting this address.

FRANCIS E. HOSIER who lives on Summit Street next door to the Casino Club, which is now known as the Little Club, will testify that on several occasions during the Summer of 1934 he observed the automobile of Bert Angus parked in front of a large two story house located at 2831-131 Street, where Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette resided together with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

WILLIAM SIEK, husband of Mrs. Geraldine Siek, RALPH SIEK, her son, and MRS. CLARK WALES, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Siek, will corroborate the mother's statements in regard to the people visiting 2831-131 Street.

C. E. BUEHRER, West Toledo Furniture Company, 1143 Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, will testify that he is part owner and manager of the West Toledo Furniture Company and that through the recommendation of Ted Angus, whom he knew to be an operator of the Casino Club, he sold furniture to Wynona Burdette under the alias of Mrs. George Winfield and that she appeared at the furniture company accompanied by Ruth Wells known to this witness as Mrs. Ted Angus.

MRS. DELL EGNER, c/o Mrs. M. B. Duffy, 5331 Edgewater Drive, Point Place, Ohio, will testify that she was in charge of Mrs. Duffy's real estate operations at the time the apartment at 4905 Summit Avenue was rented to Fred Barker and that she later called the telephone number of Pontiac 2079 and talked to a man, who said he was Bert Angus; that thereafter Ted Angus appeared at the Duffy Realty Company and paid the first month's rent; thereafter the rent was paid each month by Paula Harmon, woman companion of Fred Barker.

She will also testify that this apartment was rented to Fred Barker and Paula Harmon under the name of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bradford.

CECIL ELLIS, 4910 Summit Avenue, Point Place, Ohio, will testify that during the Spring and Summer of 1934 he was employed as a barber in the barber shop located almost directly across the street from 4905 Summit Avenue; that on different occasions he observed Paula Harmon, Dolores Dulaney and Bert Angus entering and leaving the upstairs apartment at this address which was occupied by Fred Barker and Paula Harmon under the name of Bradford.

HAROLD BARRY, 1728 Broadway, Toledo, Ohio, will testify that in 1934 he was an automobile salesman for the Robison Chevrolet Company in Toledo; that he has known Ted and Bert Angus since approximately 1926 or 1927; that he sold an automobile to "Doc" Barker upon the solicitation of Bert Angus, Angus telling Barry that the purchaser's name was Morley and that he was a bootlegger; Barry will further testify that he paid Bert Angus a commission on this sale and likewise on the subsequent sale of a car to "Doc" Barker after the first car had been wrecked; he will testify that he sold other members of the Karpis-Barker gang automobiles, paying Bert Angus commission on each sale.

He will further testify that he visited the Casino Club frequently, observed the various members of the gang present at this establishment with Bert and Ted Angus; that on one occasion he saw an automatic pistol lying on the seat of "Doc" Barker's car; and that Bert and Ted Angus had asked him what had occurred when he (Barry) had been interviewed by Department of Justice agents.



T. D. REED, c/o Jess J. Ellis Company, Toledo, Ohio, will testify that he sold a Ford Coupe to Harry Campbell under the name of Winfield, upon the solicitation of Bert Angus, who stated that Campbell was a gambler at the Jovial Club in Toledo; that as a result of this sale, he paid Bert Angus a commission; that he also sold James J. Wilson a Ford Sedan under the alias of E. J. Powell and that this sale was a result of the solicitation of Bert Angus, who was paid an additional commission on the purchase of the car by Wilson.

MISS AGNES BARLEY 3119 East Jefferson Street, Detroit, Michigan, will testify that she was employed as a cook at the Casino Club from early in May, 1934, until approximately September 5, 1934; the Barkers, Campbell, Berg, Gibson, Harrison, Fitzgerald, Wilson, Doc. Moran, Nig Cousins and others of the Karpis-Barker gang associated frequently with Bert and Ted Angus at the Casino Club; that on many occasions they were armed, that this fact was known to the Angus brothers; that the Karpis-Barker gang had practically the full run of the Casino Club and that they were present there while some of the members of the gang wore bandages on their faces and hands; she can also testify that some time in the month of August, 1934, she was in the kitchen at the Casino Club and she observed Captain Timiney, accompanied by two men dressed in plain clothes, whom she had not previously observed at any time with Timiney, all at the Casino Club; a few minutes later Harry Campbell came into the kitchen and walked over to a box of jars; that a few minutes later she reached in the box and saw an automatic pistol there; shortly thereafter Ted Angus came into the kitchen at which time she pointed out the pistol to him telling him that Campbell had placed it there; that Ted Angus told her to leave it alone and not to say anything about it.

RICHARD VOGT will testify that during June, 1934, he was working next door to the Casino Club and that at various times he saw Harry Campbell, "Doc" Barker and others frequenting the Casino Club at which times they would be spending large amounts of money; that on these occasions the Angus brothers would be present and would appear to be on friendly terms with the members of the gang.

CHARLES BECKER will testify that he was employed as a bar tender at the Casino Club for about four years, extending up until October of 1934; that during the Spring and Summer of that year he had observed the members of this gang, together with their women companions, in the Casino Club; and that they were on friendly terms with Bert and Ted Angus; that he had observed photographs of Russell Gibson and Alvin Karpis in the Toledo newspapers and had exhibited the papers to Ted Angus, who remarked "It looks tough. They must be kidnapers."

He can testify further that on one occasion Bert Angus instructed him that he was to know nothing about these men, in referring to the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, seen by Becker at the Casino Club; during the Summer of 1934 various members of the gang used the speed boat belonging to Ted Angus, which was known as the "Hag Bag."



INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLY of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that Bert Angus stated when interviewed that he first learned of an indictment having been returned against Arthur R. "Doc" Barker and others in May, 1934, and that he also recalls seeing photographs in a detective magazine of either two or four of the following: Fred Barker, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Alvin Karpis and possibly one other. That he recalls seeing this magazine in May, 1934, and that he remembers the story which appeared in the same magazine; that in fact he had seen two different magazines which referred to Karpis particularly as being one of the kidnapers in the Bremer case; that he recalls definitely that mention was made of Karpis and possibly others, being wanted in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case at the time that the newspapers carried stories of the arrest of the three women in Cleveland in April, 1934.

B. M. HIRSH and C. E. SMITH Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that they were present during the time that Bert Angus was questioned by Inspector Connelly and will verify the fact that such statements were made.

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It is possible that JAMES J. WILSON, CLARA GIBSON and DELORES DULANEY might testify, however, there has been no indication that such a possibility can be relied upon; instead, the reports even negative this possibility. Therefore, no testimony, which might be thought to be available through these witnesses, is being set out.

JOHN PATRICK MURRAY will testify that for about a month or six weeks during the Summer of 1934 he was an entertainer at the Casino Club, having been hired by Ted Angus; that during the time he was there, he saw Doc Barker and Wilson talking to Angus. They appeared to be very friendly with him and apparently made the Casino Club a hangout. They spent money freely and would stay until about two or three o'clock in the morning.

BASIL ROOT, ROSS ROOT, OPHELIA McMULLIN These three individuals were entertainers at the Casino Club and will corroborate the statement of John Patrick Murray.

JOHN J. MURTHA and ARTHUR J. PAUND were employees of the Casino Club during the Spring and Summer of 1934 and will testify relative to the frequent association of Bert and Ted Angus with the various members of this gang.

HARRY ZAHRLY will testify that during the Summer of 1934 he was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club at the time members of this gang were in attendance, and that on one occasion took part in a fight involving "Doc" Barker, Willie Harrison and one of the entertainers; he can testify further that Ted Angus stopped this fight.

THOMAS J. McMAHON and WALTER CURRAN Both of these witnesses will testify in verification of Zahrl's statements.

OVEL WEBB, also known as PHYLLIS CRAWFORD, will testify that in the Summer of 1934 she was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club and observed Harry Campbell, "Doc" Barker, Russell Gibson and other members of the gang associating with Bert and Ted Angus; that the latter told her that these individuals were men from the boats and were absolutely all right; that she observed "Doc" Barker at the Casino Club with bandages on the fingers of both hands and a large bandage on the bridge of his nose and other places on his face; that all of these men, including "Doc" Barker, Harry Campbell and Russell Gibson would take with Ted Angus on the side; and that on one occasion "Doc" Barker became very intoxicated and quite ill at which time Ted Angus took him into the ladies' room to take care of him, refusing her offer to do so and insisting that he (Ted Angus) administer to him.

JEAN BENNETT will corroborate the statements of Ovel Webb relative to the association of the above members of the gang with Ted and Bert Angus at the Casino Club.

JACK SCHMIDT, WALTER PASSINO, and OTTO ALBRECHT will testify that they were at the Casino Club at various times during the Spring and Summer of 1934, at which time various members of the gang were there with the Angus brothers.

THELMA and RENE HOLST These two women accompanied members of the Karpis-Barker gang during many visits to the Casino Club, during 1934 and in all probability can supply further pertinent information regarding their association with Bert and Ted Angus, if they so desire. At the present time, however, there appears to be no evidence implicating Bert or Ted Angus in this conspiracy which can be introduced through the testimony of either of these women.

MADELINE ANGUS

WYNONA BURDETTE will testify that during the month of May, 1934, she and Harry Campbell frequented the Casino Club, where they saw Karpis, the Barkers and others of the Karpis-Barker gang; that she knew Madeline Angus, who visited her while she was in the hospital and that the day she left the hospital, she met Madeline Angus at the Casino Club and that Harry Campbell, Wilson and Doc Barker were present at the time; that after Madeline returned from the hospital, the witness and Edna Murray went to visit Madeline at her apartment and that it was at this time the "Startling Detective" magazine was examined; that Madeline Angus looked at the pictures and grinned but made no comment; that this took place in the latter part of June, 1934.

She will also testify that she, Wynona Burdette, called Harry Campbell by his correct name instead of using his alias. This was done inadvertently but in the presence of Madeline Angus and, therefore, Madeline knew Campbell's true identity. She also recalls that Madeline Angus was present at a party in the basement of Ted Angus' home and that Campbell, Harrison, Wilson and their women were present at this party; that during the summer of 1934, when she visited the Forty-second Street Cafe on several occasions, she was accompanied by Campbell, Harrison, the two Anguses and Madeline Angus and Ruth Wells.

EDNA MURRAY will testify that she was present during the Spring and Summer of 1934 in Toledo, where various members of the Karpis-Barker gang frequented the Casino Club; that she knew Madeline Angus, as Madeline visited the apartment occupied by her and Volney Davis on several occasions; that Madeline was often at the Casino Club when Barker, Karpis and others of the gang were there and she recalls, on one occasion, when Madeline Angus came to the witness' home and picked up a magazine and called Wynona Burdette, who was present, and told her that she wanted to show her a cute picture; that the witness and Wynona both looked at the magazine and observed that it was a photograph of Fred Barker with the statement that he was wanted for the murder of a sheriff and he was also wanted by the Government for the kidnaping of George Bremer; that the witness was present at the hospital when Madeline Angus came to visit Wynona Burdette; that at this time, Madeline Angus' mother, who accompanied her, had a newspaper relating to the killing of John Dillinger in Chicago, which she read to Wynona, in Madeline's presence, and then inquired if she were not scared.

MARIE BARLEY the cook at the Casino Club from May until September, 1934, recalls various members of the gang who visited the Casino Club during the time she was there, including the two Barkers, Harrison and Campbell; that she knows Madeline Angus; that on the night following her first employment, which was in May, 1934, there was a party attended by Doc Barker, Harry Campbell and others of the gang and that Madeline Angus was in the crowd and she recalls the night there was a fight between Harrison and some of the entertainers at the Club; that Doc Barker, Campbell and Wilson joined in the fight; that a pistol was pulled by Harrison; that Madeline Angus was present at this time, in fact, that Madeline was at the Casino Club almost every night and continually associated with members of

the gang and their women; that Madeline Angus seemed to be very friendly with Captain Timiney, who was often present; that at the time she quit the Casino Club, about September 5, 1934, Wilson was the only one of the gang left at the Club, but that about a week before this time, some of the others had been there; that she, the witness, asked Madeline Angus about the bunch and where Campbell and Wynona Burdette lived, but that Madeline refused to answer; that on September 13, 1935, she went back to work for the Anguses at their new Club; that she asked Madeline Angus and others what had happened to the gang, but that Madeline changed the subject and did not answer.

JOHN J. MURTHA bar tender at the Casino Club from May until August, 1934, recalls most of the gang, including Karpis and the Barkers, as people who hung around the Club at the time he was employed there; that Madeline Angus and her sisters usually associated with Barker and Wilson when they were in the Club during this period.

ARTHUR PFUND waiter at the Casino Club from May until July, 1934, will testify that Madeline Angus was with Doc Barker and others of the gang while they were at the Club.

THELMA HOLST sister of Madeline Angus, will testify that during the Spring of 1934, she became acquainted with Doc Barker and others of the gang and their women, and was on parties with them, which Madeline Angus also attended.

JACK SCHMIDT waiter at the Casino Club from May until June, 1934, will testify that Madeline Angus and her sisters would be at the Casino Club occasionally; that he knew various members of the gang, including Harrison and Campbell, and that Madeline Angus would associate with these men and their women.

RUTH WELLS

WYNONA BURDETTE will testify that Ruth Wells assisted in procuring her entrance to the hospital, and regarding the visits made to her. She will also testify that on the day she left the hospital, she went with Harry Campbell and Doc Barker to the Casino Club and there visited with Ruth Wells and others. She will further testify that after the "Startling Detective" magazine, containing pictures of Karpis and Fred Barker, was published, she gave the magazine to Madeline Angus; that she continued to associate with Ruth Wells and others and that after she moved to the Jarvis Apartments, Ted Angus and Ruth Wells came to see Campbell and her.

She will further testify that when she re-entered the hospital, Ruth Wells permitted her to use her address as a reference; and, further, that Ruth Wells was present at the party at Ted Angus' basement when Campbell, Harrison and Wilson were present and that she recalls the argument that took place between Ted Angus and Ruth Wells at this time. She also recalls that in the Summer of 1934, Ruth Wells visited the Forty-second Street Cafe with the witness and others and that they were all in fact very friendly.

EDNA MURRAY, paramour of Volney Davis, will testify that she knew various members of the Karpis-Barker gang and was in Toledo during the Spring and Summer of 1934, when the gang were there; that soon after she arrived at Toledo, she went to the Casino Club with Jimmy Wilson and that Karpis and others of the gang frequented the Casino Club almost nightly; that Ruth Wells was around the Casino Club almost all the time and that the members of the gang were there and that Ruth Wells called them by their common names, as did everyone around the Club; that Ruth was present after various members of the gang had had their fingers operated on and wore bandages. She recalls that Ruth Wells was infatuated with Jimmy Wilson and frequently went with him to the place occupied by Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette, where Ruth and Wilson stayed together.

C. E. BUEHRER will testify concerning the purchase of furniture by Wynona Burdette, under the name of Mrs. George Winfield from the West Toledo Furniture Company and will state that Ruth Wells, the common law wife of Ted Angus, accompanied her at the time this furniture was purchased.

MARIE BARLEY cook at the Casino Club from May to September 5, 1934, can identify members of the Karpis-Barker gang and will testify that she knows Ruth Wells; that she recalls that Ruth Wells was in a party with members of the gang and their women folks and Ruth was friendly with them; that Ruth Wells frequently sat at the table with members of the Karpis-Barker gang and their women, during which time Barker, Karpis and Campbell wore bandages on their hands; that Ruth Wells told her about a party at Ted Angus' home which was attended by members of the gang; that the witness again worked for the Casino Club on September 13, 1935, and inquired of Ruth Wells and Ted Angus what had happened to the Karpis-Barker gang; that Ruth evaded her question and began to talk of something else.

ARTHUR J. PFUND, waiter at the Casino Club from May until July, 1934, will testify that he knows Ruth Wells; that during the Summer of 1934, he observed Doc Barker, Wilson and several of the Karpis-Barker women at the Casino Club on several occasions, and that Ruth Wells was friendly with the group.

JACK SCHMIDT, waiter at the Casino Club from May until June, 1934, will testify that he observed Harrison, Wilson and Campbell at the Casino Club on several occasions; that he observed Ted Angus and Ruth Wells seated at the table with Captain Timiney and Edith Marka, with whom they appeared very friendly and that Ruth Wells was at the Club when members of the gang above mentioned were present drinking.

D. P. SULLIVAN and E. J. WYNN, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that Ruth Wells submitted a signed statement on July 7, 1936, admitting that she knew Campbell as "George Winfield"; Wynona Burdette as "Mrs. Winfield"; Doc Barker as "Doc Morley"; "Shorty"; Russell Gibson as "Slim"; Oliver Berg as "Ollie"; Karpis as "Ray"; Fred Barker as "Fred"; Doc Moran as "Doc"; William Weaver as "Bill".

She will also admit that she helped Wynona Burdette purchase the furniture for Campbell and Wynona at the West Toledo Furniture Company and that she also visited 2831-131 Street, which place was occupied by Wynona and Campbell and also visited by other members of the gang. She will further admit that she permitted Wynona Burdette to use her (Ruth Wells') address at 4209 North Lockwood Avenue and on May 25, 1934, assisted Wynona Burdette in entering the hospital; that in the Spring and Summer of 1934 she was present on frequent occasions when members of the Karpis-Barker gang were at the Casino Club and that she associated and drank with them, sitting at the same table with them.

She will also testify that in the fall of 1934 she read in the Toledo newspapers that Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer were arrested in Cleveland; that she and Ted Angus discussed these articles in the newspapers which carried the stories that the women were associates of the Karpis-Barker gang; that afterwards, namely, on October eleventh, she received \$200.00 from Ted Angus which she paid to Dr. Fred M. Douglas on the account of Wynona Burdette had with the Dr.

She will also testify that at this time she told Ted Angus that she felt shaky about making this payment in view of the fact that there was a great deal of publicity in regard to the identity of the members of this gang.

DR. FRED M. DOUGLAS will testify as to the payment of \$200.00 on Wynona Burdette's account by Ruth Wells.

ART HEBEBRAND

SALLY JACKSON will testify that she, together with her sisters, Pauline and Florence Jasany, operate the Twilight Tavern at 6698 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio; that in the Spring of 1935 Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter frequented her tavern and they were armed; that Hunter and Harry Campbell also visited the place with them and that in the latter part of April, 1935, one morning about 3:00 or 4:00 o'clock, Art Hebebrand, whom the witness knew as the operator of the Harvard Club, came to the Twilight Tavern accompanied by Karpis, Campbell and a gambler from the Harvard Club known as "Dan" and a fifth man, unknown to her; that the tavern was closed at the time but upon a man's voice saying that it was "Art" the witness admitted the men; that Art Hebebrand immediately went into the dining room with Karpis and ordered a quart of Scotch; that Art told her to pull all the shades down in the dining room, lock the front door and not to let anyone in; that these two men remained in conversation for an hour or more and after it had terminated Art gave her a \$20.00 bill in payment for the Scotch, and the five men left the tavern.

She further related that on or about the nineteenth of May, 1935, at about 3:00 A.M., Art Hebebrand and a girl named Ruth Spangler came to the tavern and joined in a large party with Harry Campbell, Tony Amersbach and a gambler named "Butch", Alvin Karpis having become so drunk that he had "passed out" and was upstairs in bed. She can further testify that on this occasion Alvin Karpis had to be helped upstairs and that he had asked Sally Jackson to take his two pistols and put them away for him; that when Art Hebebrand and Ruth Spangler left at about 8:00 A.M., Art said he would take care of the bill for the whole party, telling Sally Jackson to come to the Harvard Club and collect it; that Art's bill amounted to \$49.00.

FLORENCE JASANY, sister of Sally Jackson, will testify to the facts set out above in regard to the association of Art Hebebrand with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at the Twilight Tavern.



TONY AMERSBACH

SALLY JACKSON, who operated the Twilight Tavern in Cleveland, Ohio, will testify that during the Spring of 1935, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter frequented her establishment and that Amersbach had come to the Twilight Tavern and referred to Karpis and Hunter and asked that they be given much attention; that Tony Amersbach said that these two were "big time" gamblers; that on or about May 19, 1935, Amersbach was a member of a party at the tavern, consisting of Harry Campbell, Art Hebebrand, Ruth Spangler and some others, after Alvin Karpis had been put to bed in a drunken condition; that on this occasion Amersbach and Campbell went upstairs and went to sleep in the room with Karpis; that several hours later Amersbach came down and left for the Harvard Club.

She can further testify that several weeks prior to October 2, 1936, Tony Amersbach told her that he had been questioned about the Karpis-Barker gang by the Department of Justice and that she would undoubtedly be questioned; that he told her that she would be shown a large number of photographs, including those of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and was not to identify any except those of himself and Art Hebebrand; that she could be sentenced to the penitentiary for five years for harboring criminals; that she was to tell the Federal Agents that the Twilight Taver was a public place and that she was to say that Karpis and Campbell might have been in there, but that she paid no particular attention to the customers inasmuch as it was a public place.

She can further testify that after she and her sisters had been questioned at the Department of Justice office Amersbach again asked her if she had been shown any photographs and again cautioned her against making any admissions, stating that she should deny that she had ever seen any of these individuals.

She can further testify that Sharkey Gorman on another occasion had visited her tavern on Denison Street with Tony Amersbach and in his presence had said to her that she should be cautious about answering the questioning of the Federal Agents and that she should not let them get her mad in order to get her to say something.

FLORENCE JASANY will testify that she has known Tony Amersbach for approximately two years; that he was a regular customer at the Twilight Tavern; that in the latter part of February, 1935, Amersbach and Sharkey Gorman came to the tavern at which time Amersbach said that he was expecting some friends of his to come to the tavern and that they should be well taken care of; that on the same evening Karpis, Fred Hunter and an unknown man came to the tavern and that shortly afterwards Amersbach arrived and asked whether or not the "boys" had come; that he was thereupon told that they were there and he went into a dining room and commenced conversing with them.

She will further testify that a few days later Karpis, Amersbach and Hunter again had dinner together; that she was subsequently told by Amersbach that Karpis, Campbell, who were also visiting the tavern, and Fred Hunter were "big shot" gamblers; that on May 19, 1935, Karpis and Campbell came



to the tavern around 11:00 P.M., shortly before the arrival of Amersbach and a gambler known as "Butch"; that they all jointed in a party, resulting in Karpis becoming quite drunk necessitating his being put to bed; that shortly thereafter Art Hebebrand and Ruth Spangler appeared at the tavern, joined Amersbach, Campbell and the others at Amersbach's table.

It can further be proved through this witness that around 8:30 the following morning Art Hebebrand and Ruth Spangler left the tavern; that Amersbach and Campbell went upstairs to bed in the same room occupied by Alvin Karpis and that around 11:00 A.M., Amersbach arose and left; she can also testify that Amersbach cautioned her against giving information to Federal Agents, stating that if she did admit anything to the Government men "I would only be putting myself in the bag."

SHARKEY GORMAN

LILLIAN KERRA will testify that from about January 1, 1934 to April 9, 1935, and from August 1, 1935 to November 15, 1935, she worked as a prostitute in a house operated by Edith Barry.

She will testify that she knows Karpis and Campbell, having met them in 1934; that in late January of 1935, she saw them at Edith Barry's house and that on this occasion, they remained in Edith Barry's house for approximately ten days, staying in their room practically all the time. She knows John F. (Sharkey) Gorman, who visited Karpis and Campbell at Edith Barry's house during this period of time, and that the witness was asked by Edith Barry to drive Gorman's Graham Sedan from in front of her house and park it elsewhere; that Gorman talked with Karpis and Campbell for an hour or so and then left. She will testify that a day or two later, he returned and talked with Karpis and Campbell again in their room; that on this occasion he stayed all night at the house; that he again appeared at Edith Barry's house a day or two after the second visit and on this occasion was accompanied by Fred Hunter and that Gorman and Hunter both talked to Karpis in a bedroom at Edith Barry's house.

MARIE GALLUP will testify that she first met Sharkey Gorman through Edith Barry approximately ten years ago; that Sharkey appeared at Edith Barry's house in Toledo in the early part of 1935, accompanied by Karpis; that he became intoxicated and upon awakening had asked where Karpis had gone; that he was advised then by Edith Barry that Karpis was still there and later entered the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell and then left; that he subsequently returned after a short period of time and then they all left together.

JOHN BROCK will testify that upon the instructions of Karpis he went to Cleveland and arrived at the Harvard Club about dark and asked for Sharkey; that he talked to Tony Amersbach and gave him Karpis' message and a few minutes later he was introduced to Sharkey Gorman and he gave Karpis' message to Gorman; that the witness and Sharkey went into the house in front of the Harvard Club and the witness told Sharkey that Sonny Boy wanted him to come to see him and also that he wanted him to have the "kid" get him an apartment in Cleveland; that he advised Sharkey that the boys were at Edith's place; that Sharkey apparently distrusted the witness and the witness returned to Toledo; that he went to Edith's place and found Campbell and Karpis in their room and Sharkey Gorman with them.

He can further testify that at this time Gorman apologized to him for having been suspicious of him; that the witness heard Sharkey telling Karpis about moving to Cleveland; that Karpis and Sharkey then went into a bathroom and talked; that Karpis told Sharkey to "tell that boy" to come over to Toledo; that Sharkey shortly departed; that the following day, Fred Hunter came from Cleveland to Toledo and met the witness with Campbell and Karpis; that Karpis told the witness to return to Cleveland with Hunter, who would take him to Sharkey and that Sharkey knew two or three places to look at "as a

plant"; that Hunter and the witness went to Cleveland, contacted Sharkey Gorman at the Club and that John Brock and Gorman left in a grey coupe, the property of Sharkey, and looked at several places for rent; that the following day, Sharkey and Joe Roscoe came to the witness' hotel and they continued to look around for a place to rent; that later, the witness and Karpis, in Cleveland, drove to a saloon and by pre-arrangement, met Hunter and Sharkey and some other person, unknown to the witness; that Karpis, Sharkey and the unknown man left the saloon in a car without saying where they were going; that he could not get in touch with Campbell and Karpis for a while and went to the Harvard Club and saw Sharkey; that he learned from Sharkey that he had not seen the boys, meaning Karpis and Campbell, for a little while and told the witness that they would not come to the Club as they felt the place was being watched by the Government.

MARGARET BALL, a colored maid at Edith Barry's house of prostitution, will testify that Sharkey Gorman is a person known to her only as "Sharkey"; that she has known him for approximately a little more than ten years, at which time she had met him at Edith Barry's house; that about a week or so after Karpis and Campbell arrived at Edith Barry's house, in the early part of 1935, she observed Sharkey Gorman standing in the hallway fully clothed with his hat on; that a few minutes later Karpis came downstairs carrying a black leather case and that he and Gorman then left the house together, driving away in an automobile; that this was approximately during the latter part of 1935 in January.

SALLY JACKSON will testify that Karpis and Campbell frequented the Twilight Tavern using the names of "Slim" and "George" respectively and that some time in July, 1935, Sharkey Gorman came to the tavern and inquired for both of these individuals; that Gorman was told by the witness that "Slim" and "George" had just left and that Sharkey Gorman waited around a while for them.

She can also testify that on another occasion Sharkey and Karpis came to the tavern and sat around drinking liquor and talking for quite a while; that on other occasions Gorman came to the tavern but did not contact Campbell or Karpis because they were not there, but that at these times he would always inquire for them and express disappointment upon missing them.

She can further testify that she has since been cautioned by Sharkey Gorman not to let the Federal Agents disturb her when questioning her, stating that this was simply a means of having her lose her temper so that she would divulge some pertinent information.

FLORENCE JASANY will testify that during the month of July, 1935, Karpis and Campbell appeared at the Twilight Tavern and after spending a short while there, left; that shortly thereafter Sharkey Gorman came to the tavern and asked the witness if "the boys" had been there, that he then waited

around for about an hour and a half and left in a large automobile which drew up to the curb outside the tavern.

GEORGE TALBOT, EARL R. BRAZZIL, ALLEN J. FOERSTER,  
all employees of the Harvard Club, will testify that Sharkey Gorman was employed as a doorman at the Club and that Art Hebebrand was part owner thereof.

EDITH BARRY

LILLIAN MCKEE, who was employed as a prostitute in Edith Barry's house at 524 Southard Street, Toledo, Ohio, will testify that in the late Spring of 1934, three men called at Edith's house, whom she can identify as Karpis, Charles Fitzgerald and William J. Harrison; that following the late Spring and Summer of 1934, she next saw Campbell and Karpis at Edith's house in January, 1935, at which time they arrived about 1:00 A.M., both looking very haggard in appearance, that they were unkempt and unshaven and not fully clothed; that they were admitted to the house by Edith Barry herself, who immediately ushered them into her own room, remaining with them for some time.

She can also testify that Karpis and Campbell thereafter remained at Edith Barry's house of prostitution for approximately ten days, staying in the room they were occupying almost constantly with the door closed and having their meals served to them; that she, Lillian, spent practically all of her time during this period waiting on Karpis and Campbell for Edith Barry.

She can also recall that Edith Barry was present in the company of Karpis and Campbell when Sharkey Gorman and Fred Hunter visited these two at Edith Barry's; that shortly after the above ten day period, Karpis and Campbell left Edith's house, telling her that they would return in about twenty-one days; that on about March 1, 1935, Karpis and Campbell returned to Edith's place, again looking grimy, unshaven and apparently worn out; that on this occasion she can testify that they remained two or three days and had no visitors; that on or about March 22, 1935, Karpis and Campbell again came to the house of Edith Barry where they remained about a week or ten days, arriving in the evening at which time Campbell was noticeably intoxicated; that at the request of Karpis and Campbell, in the presence of Edith Barry, she drove their Ford Coupe, which had been involved in an accident, from in front of Edith Barry's house to the garage of Lyman D. Arnold Company at Tenth and Adams Street.

She can also recall that on the following day she, at the request of Edith Barry, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, went to the Arnold Company and obtained an estimate of the trade in value of the damaged car and the cost of a new Ford Coupe; that on the following day, at the suggestion of Harry Campbell, she contacted John Brock at the Lorain Hotel, accompanied him to the Ford Company where a 1935 model Coupe was purchased by Brock for Harry Campbell with \$400.00 she had given Brock, which money had come from Harry Campbell and that they then drove this car to Edith Barry's house, where Brock talked in the bedroom with Karpis and Campbell and Edith Barry, remaining there for about two or three hours.

She can further testify that in the early part of April, 1935, Karpis and Campbell again came to Edith Barry's house, arriving separately and remaining a day or two; that they left together one morning shortly afterwards, each carrying a suitcase; that during the occasions of the visits of Karpis and Campbell at Edith's place she observed them in the possession of revolvers and she also saw a sub-machine gun on the floor under the bed in their bedroom; that during the visit of Karpis and Campbell in April to Edith's house, they were visited by Sharkey Gorman and Fred Hunter in the presence of Edith Barry; that during this time she observed a magazine at Edith's place containing photographs of Karpis and Campbell with the notification that they were wanted for kidnaping by the Government, as well as for other crimes; she recognized these photographs as being those of the two men at Edith's place going under the names of "Sonny" and "Buff."

She can further testify that in the first part of June, 1935, she visited Edith Barry in Toledo and met Alvin Karpis in the house; that she and Karpis drank considerable beer on this occasion and that about two hours later Campbell arrived; that on or about August 1, 1935, she returned to work as a prostitute at Edith Barry's house, at which time Edith told her that she (Edith) had been leading a very hard life during the past four months, stating that she had been "cooped" up in the house with Karpis all during that period; further, that in the latter part of October, 1935, Karpis again returned to Edith Barry's house, remaining there for several days; that she over-heard Edith Barry address those visitors in the bedroom with Karpis, as "Joe" and "Ben" and that Karpis after remaining a few days left the house.

MARIE GALLUP will testify that she was a prostitute in the house operated by Edith Barry at Toledo; that some time during the month of August, 1934, Charles J. Fitzgerald came to Edith's place and that on this occasion he was accompanied by two individuals, whom she can identify as being Karpis and Campbell; that on or about January 19, 1935, she again saw Karpis, whom she knew as "Sonny Boy" and Campbell, whom she knew as "Buff" - observed them in the kitchen of Edith's house; that on this occasion Edith said to her that she was glad that the "boys" were back because they were good spenders; that Karpis and Campbell remained at Edith Barry's house for approximately a week, occupying the spare bedroom located on the east side in the front of the house; that her bathroom connected with their room and that during this period of time, Karpis and Campbell remained in their room most of the time but occasionally came downstairs to drink and play the phonograph or radio; that also during this time Edith Barry frequently served them drinks in their room and on occasions would serve them their meals there; that Edith made up their beds and cleaned their room; and shortly thereafter Marie was told by Edith that they had gone.

She will further testify that she next saw Karpis and Campbell at Edith Barry's house on or about March 27, 1935, at which time Karpis and Campbell remained in the house for approximately three or four days and Karpis gave her a \$20.00 bill for a birthday present; and that Campbell and Lillian Merea bought her a silk nightgown.

She can further recall that on or about April 5, 1935, she purchased a quantity of detective magazines and in one of them observed and immediately recognized photographs of Karpis with reference that he was "Public Enemy No. 1" and wanted by the Government for the Bremer kidnaping; that she became quite agitated and left Edith Barry's house two days later, leaving the magazines behind her in the house.

She can further testify that on the occasions when Karpis and Campbell visited Edith Barry's house the Barry woman and the prostitute known as "Lou" would pass the time with them in their room upstairs playing cards; that Edith told her that Karpis and Campbell were gamblers from the Jovial Club.

MYRTLE LOIS PRICE will testify that she was a prostitute in the house of Edith Barry at Toledo; that she worked with Lillian Merea and Marie Gallup for Edith; and that between April and June, 1935, she observed Campbell and Karpis at Edith's place.

She can testify further that shortly after her arrival in April, 1935, she was introduced to Karpis and Campbell by Edith Barry at her house under the names of "Sonny" and "Buff" respectively; that she saw them thereafter on at least three different occasions visiting Edith Barry's place; that when these two men were there and remained over night they usually occupied the east front bedroom upstairs; and that she frequently observed Edith Barry serving them their meals and drinks in this room.

MARGARET BALL, a colored maid in the house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry, will testify that during the late Spring or Summer of 1934, three men called at Edith's place, whom she can identify as being Alvin Karpis, William Harrison and Charles J. Fitzgerald; that on at least four or five occasions during the Summer of 1934, she saw Campbell at the house; that approximately at 10:00 one night during the latter part of January, 1935, Edith Barry called to her from upstairs and told her that she was expecting a couple of "boys"; that about two hours later she observed two men standing on the porch and recognized them as Karpis and Campbell; that she allowed them to enter and they were met by Edith Barry, at which time Karpis was carrying a small black leather handbag; that "about 1:00 or 1:30 A.M., Miss Barry called from upstairs and asked me to bring up a couple bottles of beer" which she delivered to the Barry woman in the hall on the second floor where the latter took it into the right front bedroom adjoining Edith Barry's bedroom; that subsequent to this night Karpis and Campbell stayed at Edith Barry's house on different occasions, Karpis going by the name of "Sonny" and Campbell by the name of "Buck."

It can further be proved by this witness that Karpis



and Campbell stayed at Edith Barry's place for about ten days after the above occasion, during which time they would occasionally come downstairs to play the phonograph, and during which time Edith Barry spent most of her time upstairs in the front bedroom where Karpis and Campbell had meals and drinks served to them; that Karpis and Campbell were visited by Joe Roscoe, having been brought into the upstairs bedroom by Edith where they were all later served drinks by the Barry woman; that during this time Frank Greenwald also visited Karpis and Campbell, delivering cigarettes to Edith Barry, who brought them into the upstairs right front bedroom.

She can further add that some time during the Spring of 1935 she again saw Karpis and Campbell at Edith Barry's house; and that two men and the Barry woman were upstairs together; that again during the week preceding Easter Sunday in 1935, she observed Karpis visiting Edith Barry and shortly thereafter Campbell came in; that after remaining a short time they left.

WALTER WALSLEY, negro houseman at Edith Barry's house of prostitution, will testify that during the latter part of January, 1935, he saw Karpis at Edith's place in the kitchen, at which time he gave him a drink of water; Karpis thereupon returned immediately upstairs from whence he had come; that he also saw Campbell on this occasion, who came half way down the stairs, saw the witness and then went back up; that as their stay continued, these two men remained upstairs for several days with Edith Barry; that after staying for about ten days they left and returned about two weeks later, at which time they remained for a couple of days; that they left in a Ford Coupe bearing 1935 Ohio license plates HM 54, which had been parked in front of the house - Campbell driving.

He can further testify that about the latter part of March, 1935, he again saw this Ford automobile parked in front of Miss Barry's house one morning when he reported for work; that during the same day he observed both Karpis and Campbell eating in the kitchen of Edith's place with Lillian Merea and Edith Barry; that that afternoon he gave Karpis a hair cut in the right front bedroom.

He can also testify that on one occasion Karpis came to Edith Barry's place in the company of a man, whom he can identify as Fred Hunter; that on other occasions men visited Karpis and Campbell in the presence of Edith Barry, whom he can identify as Benson Groves, Sam Coker and Jimmy "Tip" O'Neil; that shortly before Easter in 1935, Karpis, Hunter and a third man came to Edith's place and remained over night; that Karpis returned by himself on Easter Sunday and left soon thereafter; that during the latter part of September or the first part of October, 1935, Karpis and Fred Hunter again visited Edith Barry and stayed several days, remaining in the right front bedroom, drinking with Edith Barry and some times playing the victrola downstairs.

He can also recall that on three or four of these occasions, during the time Karpis and Campbell were staying with Edith Barry, he purchased detective magazines at the re-



quest of Edith Barry; that he would be told of the particular magazines to buy and that she gave him sufficient money to make these purchases together with a tip varying from \$.50 to \$1.75; that on these occasions she often told him to mention to no one that these men were at her house; that Karpis visited and stayed at Edith Barry's place on three different occasions after Miss Barry gave him the above warning.

JOHN BROCK will testify that he met Karpis and Campbell in Oklahoma in the Spring of 1935 and upon their solicitation proceeded shortly thereafter to Toledo where he checked in at the Lorain Hotel, registering under the name of "T. J. Evens of Sandusky, Ohio"; that upon receiving a telephone call on about the second day after he arrived, he went to an appointed place and met Campbell and a girl who made arrangements for him to trade in Campbell's car the next day on a new automobile; that on the following day he was contacted at the Lorain Hotel and accompanied Lillian Merea to Edith Barry's house; that Karpis and Campbell were living in a room on the second floor and that Edith Barry was there with them; that he and Lillian Merea then went to the Lyman D. Arnold Automobile Company at Tenth and Adams Street and talked about trading in Campbell's car; that the deal was not consummated on that day and Brock returned to Edith's place and went into the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell, where Karpis talked to him.

He can further testify that on the following day he again went to Edith Barry's place, saw Karpis and Campbell and was introduced to Sharkey Gorman; that again on the following morning he returned to this house and was admitted by Edith Barry and found Karpis and Campbell eating breakfast on a card table in their room.

Brock can further testify that on this occasion Fred Hunter appeared at Edith Barry's house and they were served drinks by Edith; that he then took part in plans to find a hide-out to be used after the proposed robbery at Warren, Ohio; he returned to Toledo and went to Edith Barry's place again; that they learned from her that Campbell had been there but had left; that shortly thereafter Joe Roscoe and Campbell returned to Edith Barry's house where further plans were made for the robbery.

RICHARD CARY will testify that he is an automobile salesman for the Lyman D. Arnold Incorporated Ford Dealers and will corroborate the statements of John Brock relative to the trade in of a damaged 1935 Ford Coupe and the purchase of a new car on or about March 26, 1935.

WILLIAM WIRICK will testify that in 1934 he was a taxi cab driver working for the Private Cab Company, operated by Frank Greenwald; that he answered several calls from Edith Barry's house of prostitution; that up until the time he quit working for Greenwald, on April 7, 1936, he drove Campbell three or four times and most of the times when he picked up Campbell it was at Edith's house.

INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLY and SPECIAL AGENT E. J. WYNN, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that Edith Barry in a statement to them admitted association with Karpis, Campbell and others at her house of prostitution and will also state that she has knowledge that they were wanted for kidnaping by the Government.

FRANK GREENWALD

JOHN L. MADALA AND V. E. CRISS, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that they interviewed Frank Greenwald on August 31, 1936, and that he furnished the following information:

He was the owner of the Private Cab Company which operated in Toledo and vicinity; that he can identify pictures of William J. Harrison, Doc Moran, C. J. Fitzgerald and Harry Campbell as persons he met at the Casino Club in 1934; that he drove Campbell in his cab on several occasions, one time driving him to a place called Cedar Point and receiving \$25.00 for his services; that he did not see Campbell again until the early morning of January 22, 1935, when, following a telephone call received from Colin Monroe at the Casino Club at about 2:00 A.M., he called at the intersection of Ash and Summit Streets in Toledo, picked up Monroe and drove out Suter Avenue to the Dixie Highway; that at a point about four miles north of Erie, Michigan, he observed a car parked with its lights on, that upon Monroe's direction he stopped and picked up two men who had in their possession a machine gun which they loaded into his cab; that he drove them to the Casino Club and was paid \$20.00 for this trip; that he identifies these two men as being Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

He can further admit that on this same day he observed the Toledo newspapers containing photographs of Karpis and Campbell with the story indicating that they were wanted by the Government for kidnaping and that they had abandoned a car at a place where he, earlier that morning, had picked them up; that he did not report anything to the police but that he met Monroe about two or three weeks later, who said to him that he hoped no one would find out about that trip and that it would certainly be too bad if someone did.

He further admitted that he never saw Karpis again but met Campbell about four or five weeks prior to the latter's arrest on May 7, 1936, at Toledo; that on the particular day he met Campbell he received a telephone call to go to a place operated by Ed and Clara McGraw at 2011 1/2 Adams Street; that there he picked up Sam Coker and drove him to Goulet's Grill on Monroe Street, where he saw Campbell; that Campbell joined Greenwald and Coker and drank for about an hour and then drove away with Greenwald in his cab; that he never afterwards saw Campbell.

LILLIAN MEREA will testify that during the first ten day period Campbell and Karpis were at Edith Barry's house, Greenwald frequently called at Edith's place in response to telephone calls from Edith, at the request of Karpis and Campbell; that Edith Barry, Doc Moran and Greenwald went to the Casino Club in May, 1934, and that on one occasion shortly thereafter Greenwald brought two men to Edith Barry's house, both intoxicated, the two men being Karpis and Campbell, on which occasion he told the witness not to recognize him in front of Karpis and Campbell.

She will further testify that Karpis and Campbell frequently talked to Greenwald while they were at Edith's house in January 1935, and that when Greenwald came to the house in response to calls he always went in to talk to Karpis and Campbell; that in the latter part of October, 1935, Greenwald again was a visitor frequently at Edith's place when Campbell and Karpis were staying there.

MARGARET BAIL, a colored maid at Edith Barry's house of prostitution, will testify that she is personally acquainted with Frank Greenwald who is generally referred to as "Greenie" and knows that he operates the Private Cab Service Company in Toledo; that he was very friendly with Edith and that she used his cabs exclusively; that on one occasion when Karpis and Campbell were occupying the upstairs bedroom at the Barry house, Frank Greenwald called and delivered a carton of cigarettes which was brought upstairs into the right front bedroom; that at this time Greenwald remained in the house for several minutes and then left.

EDWARD WINSEMAN will testify that he was employed by Frank Greenwald as a taxi cab driver and that in June of 1935 his cab was called for Campbell and that thereafter he drove them very frequently during the ensuing months; that Frank Greenwald told him that he (Greenwald) had hauled Karpis and Campbell some time before Winseman went to work for him in June, 1935, and that the money he had made off Karpis and Campbell had kept him in the taxi cab business - advising the witness that Karpis and Campbell often gave him (Greenwald) \$10.00 and \$20.00 tips.

MISS BOBBIE ROBBLETT, friend of Sam Coker, will testify that through Coker she was introduced to Harry Campbell and that at practically all times Coker and Harry Campbell used Greenwald's taxi cabs; that fresh eggs, obtained by Coker, were even delivered to her in Greenwald's cabs and that Greenwald himself often drove her to the McGraw home where Harry Campbell was living; and that he would follow her upstairs and sit around and drink with the McGraws.

EDWARD AND CLARA MCGRAW

GERTRUDE BILLETER MILLER will testify that she met Harry Campbell on May 9, 1935, at the apartment of Ed and Clara McGraw at 2011 $\frac{1}{2}$  Adams Street; that he was first introduced to her as "Bob Brown", who Clara said was a road contractor and unmarried; that thereafter she began to live with Harry Campbell at McGraw's house and finally decided to marry Campbell, who told her then that his name was "Charles Miller" and not "Bob Brown"; that subsequently, through Ed and Clara McGraw, they had arranged through a Mr. Livingston at Weston, Ohio, to be married immediately without awaiting the statutory five day period required under the Ohio laws; that on May 29, 1935, Ed and Clara McGraw, Harry Campbell and herself, went to Weston, Ohio, where Mr. Livingston was contacted and in her presence Ed McGraw told him that she and Campbell wanted to get married immediately, whereupon Mr. Livingston replied that he could "fix it"; that the party proceeded in his car to the court house at Bowling Green, Ohio, where the marriage license was secured, Livingston posing as the witness' uncle, and that the wedding ceremony was performed.

She will further testify that she and Harry Campbell continued to live with the McGraws until the latter part of July, 1935; that they later returned to the McGraws around August 20, 1935, and moved into their own apartment at 2032 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street in November, 1935; that she met Alving Karpis under the name of "Sonny" at the McGraw apartment; that at the time she met Karpis, Ed and Clara McGraw were present and drank with them; that Clara later told her that Karpis had given her money to buy a table lamp; that she later met Karpis again on October 8, 1935, at the McGraw apartment and again on November 5, 1935, at the McGraw apartment; that on the following morning about 5:00 A.M., Clara awakened Karpis and Campbell, who left the apartment saying they would be gone for a day or two.

She will further testify that she again met Karpis on November 7, 1935, when Karpis came into the McGraw apartment; that during September, 1935, she met Sam Coker through Harry Campbell; that Coker stayed at the McGraw apartment and later lived with the McGraws off and on until the latter part of April, 1936; that she also observed a person in the McGraw apartment with Karpis whom she identifies as Milton Lett; that when he (Lett) arrived, Ed McGraw let him in and then came to the back and told Campbell that "Bill was in the front" and wanted to see him.

She will further testify that during October, 1935, when Campbell wished to trade in his Hudson car, Ed and Clara McGraw recommended that Campbell contact Glenn Kneisel, a used car dealer in Toledo, which he did; that during the week prior to the arrest of Karpis, she and Harry Campbell were at the McGraw apartment on one occasion .

JACK LIVINGSTON, Weston, Ohio, will testify that he has known Ed McGraw for approximately twenty-five years; that McGraw and his wife, Clara, accompanied by a man and young girl, visited him at his home; that the couple desired to get married right away; that neither was a resident of the county and that he (Livingston) represented that he was the uncle of the girl; that she was a resident of Wood County and through this means succeeded in obtaining for Harry Campbell and Gertrude Billeter a marriage license and they were married under the name of "Miller"; that he was a witness to the wedding ceremony and shortly thereafter the two McGraws, Miller and his wife left for Toledo.

MRS. RUTH KING will testify that she has known Clara and Ed McGraw for more than eight years; that about June, 1935, she started working for Clara as a house maid; that during the summer of 1935 she saw Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and Gertrude Billeter Miller at the McGraw apartment; that on one occasion Clara told her that "Bob Miller", alias of Harry Campbell, was a contractor and her (Clara's) cousin.

She can further testify that Gertrude Billeter Miller and "Bob Miller" after they were married lived at the McGraw apartment for a short while; that after Harry Campbell had been arrested, Clara McGraw told the witness that she was just joking when she had said to Mrs. King that "Bob Miller" was her cousin.

PETRA AND HARRY E. KOOFER will testify that during the Spring and Summer of 1935 both visited Clara and Ed McGraw at 2011½ Adams Street in Toledo; where they observed Harry Campbell and Gertrude Billeter Miller, who were introduced to them as "Bob Miller and his wife Gertie"; that they were told by Clara that "Bob Miller" was her cousin and that he was a contractor from Cleveland; that at a later date Clara told Petra Kooper that "Bob Miller" was not her cousin.

J. L. MADALA AND V. E. CRISS, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that they interviewed Clara McGraw on September 11, 1936, securing from her a signed statement containing the following:

That she is married to Edward McGraw; that they have resided at 2011½ Adams Street in Toledo since September 1, 1933; that a man known as "Bob Brown", who she identifies as Harry Campbell, commenced living at their apartment on or about May 12, 1935, and she was told that he was a road contractor and that Gertrude Billeter met Campbell at her apartment and subsequently married him; that she can identify photographs of Sam Coker as a person brought to her apartment by Harry Campbell and Gertrude Billeter and admits that Coker later lived at the McGraw apartment.

J. M. JONES AND E. J. WYNN, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that on May 7, 1936, they interviewed Edward McGraw, who admitted that Harry Campbell, under the name of "Bob Miller, met Gertrude Billeter at his apartment and that he (McGraw) and his wife accompanied these two to Bowling Green, Ohio, where they were married.

He will further admit that Campbell under the aliases of "Brown" and "Miller" had lived at their apartment and can identify photographs of Sam Coker as a person

who also resided there.

KENNETH FRANCIS will testify that he was employed as a taxi driver for the Private Cab Company in Toledo from November, 1934 to about March, 1935; that on or about December 21, 1935, after receiving a call from Edward McGraw at 2011½ Adams Street, he picked up a man whom he can identify as Sam Coker; that thereafter on frequent occasions he picked up Sam Coker and Alvin Karpis at the apartment of Edward and Clare McGraw; that on one occasion he drove these two men, with an unknown individual, to Kelley's Saloon at Twentieth and Adams Street and thence back to McGraw's; that following this occasion, Ed McGraw again called the witness and had him come over to the McGraw apartment where he again picked up Sam Coker and a girl, whom he drove to an un-recalled destination and then drove Coker back to the McGraws.

J. L. MADALA AND J. V. MURPHY, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that they interviewed Edward McGraw on September 11, 1936, at Toledo, at which time this witness made substantially the same admissions as those elicited by Special Agents Jones and Wynn.



SAM COKER

JOHN L. MADALA, Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify that he interviewed Sam Coker at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, on September 18, 1936, at which time Coker admitted that he was paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary on September 6, 1935, proceeded to Toledo and registered at the Lorain Hotel; that he associated with a man known as "Bob Miller" in Toledo; that he knew Mr. and Mrs. Edward McGraw, Gertrude Billeter and Bobbie Robbletto; that he lived with Ed and Clara McGraw and kept company in Toledo with Bobbie Robbletto, who was his nurse while he was confined at the Mercy Hospital; that he knew Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goulet and their daughter, Esther Goulet, who operated the Goulet Grill.

He will also admit that prior to his release on parole on September 21, 1935, he was an ardent reader of the daily newspapers, having worked in the prison canteen where newspapers were sold, and that he recalled reading accounts of the raids staged at Oklawaha, Florida, in January, 1935, which resulted in the killing of Fred and "Ma" Barker; that he also read of the accounts of the escape of Karpis and Campbell from the police in Atlantic City, New Jersey in January, 1935, of their subsequent flight into Michigan at which place they abandoned their automobile; and that Karpis and Campbell were being sought by the Government for the Bremer kidnaping.

He will further admit that he has known Karpis for approximately six years, having become acquainted with him through Fred Barker and "Ma" Barker in Tulsa, Oklahoma; that he and Karpis were arrested together with Fred Barker on January 10, 1931, by the Tulsa Police Department, as a result of which he was sent back to the penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

GERTRUDE BILLETER MILLER will testify that she met Sam Coker on or about September 25, 1935, through Harry Campbell at Goulet's Grill in Toledo; that she later saw him at Edward and Clara McGraw's apartment, where he lived after his release from the hospital in Toledo until on or about the latter part of April, 1936, at which time he moved to the apartment where she and Harry Campbell were living.

FLORENCE JASANY AND SALLY JACKSON will testify that they are sisters and together with Pauline Jasany operate the Twilight Tavern located at 6698 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio; that during the year 1935 Karpis, Campbell and Fred Hunter made frequent trips to their tavern; that in September, 1935, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter came to their place in two automobiles; that they had with them a man called "Tommy" whom they both can identify as Sam Coker, recalling his gold teeth and rather hoarse voice; that Alvin Karpis and



Harry Campbell said to them, in his presence, that he was an "old time friend" of theirs.

These sisters can further testify that these men left their tavern and returned again about a week later, driving two automobiles, at which time they told both sisters about their trip to New York to the Max Baer-Joe Louis fight and that Sam Coker had won a Ford Sedan from Alvin Karpis on the outcome of the fight; that they all left about 10:00 P.M., stating that they would be gone for three or four months as they were going to California; that they did not see Sam Coker after that time.

JOHN BROCK will testify that about October 1, 1935, after Sam Coker was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary he met Fred Hunter and Sam Coker in Tulsa; and that Fred Hunter told him that the "boys were still all right."

FRED HUNTER

JOHN BROCK will testify that he was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in July, 1934; that he met Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in March, 1935; that upon the solicitation of Karpis he proceeded to the Lorain Hotel at Lorain, Ohio, and registered as "T. F. Evans of Sandusky, Ohio"; that about the second day thereafter he contacted Harry Campbell, accompanied by a girl, whom he later learned to be Lillian Merea, and with her proceeded to negotiate for the trade in of Harry Campbell's damaged Ford automobile for a new car at the Lyman D. Arnold Ford Agency in Toledo; that he went with Harry Campbell to Edith Barry's house, where Karpis and Campbell were living on the second floor where he talked with them about trading in this automobile; that he left and later returned to Edith's place, where Karpis instructed him to go to Cleveland to the Harvard Club for him.

Brock will further testify that he did this, returning to Toledo the same day and on the following day appeared at Edith Barry's place where he found Campbell, Karpis and Sharkey Gorman in a room on the second floor; that on the following morning he again visited Edith's place and that Fred Hunter came in while he was there; that shortly thereafter he and Fred Hunter immediately left for the Harvard Club in Cleveland, where on the following day, upon the instructions of Karpis, they drove around the surrounding country to try to find a suitable place to rent which could be used as a hide-out; that approximately two days later he and Fred Hunter drove to Warren, Ohio, where they watched the train come in with the mail on it and watched the mail being loaded on to the mail truck and then drove back to Youngstown, Ohio, and shortly thereafter returned to Cleveland to the apartment which Fred Hunter had rented, where they found Alvin Karpis.

He will further testify that he talked with Karpis on this occasion about the proposed robbery at Warren, Ohio, that he and Karpis later drove back to Toledo that night; that on the following day he and Karpis drove together and returned to Cleveland to a saloon on Detroit Avenue a short distance west of 25th Street, where they found Fred Hunter, Sharkey Gorman and another man, unknown to Brock; that during this time he conferred with Fred Hunter, learning that Karpis had just borrowed another \$1,000.00 from his friends and Hunter remarked that he (Karpis) was lucky to have friends who could loan him money when he was as "hot" as he was; that Karpis, Sharkey Gorman and the unknown man left this saloon in one car and he and Fred Hunter left together, Hunter dropping him off at the Gordon Square Hotel.

It can further be proved by John Brock that after three or four days, during which time he did not hear from any of the others, he returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma; that approximately in May, 1935, he met Fred Hunter again at "Burhead" Keady's house, that Hunter said he was trying to contact Karpis and Campbell and that the following morning Hunter and

Keady left to connect with them; that later in July or the first part of August he again met Fred Hunter in Tulsa; that still later around October first, 1935, he saw Hunter and Coker together in Tulsa, at which time Hunter told him that "the boys are still all right."

This witness will further state that on or about November first Fred Hunter came to Tulsa and told him that the "boys" had everything lined up to make a good piece of dough; that they both left the same night by train, arriving in Cleveland on the night of November 5, 1936; that enroute Hunter told him that the "boys" had a train job lined up and that five men would be used on the job.

He will further testify that upon arriving in Cleveland he immediately proceeded to Toledo, arriving there about 3:00 A.M., where he again met Hunter late the following afternoon; that both of them went to a place on Adams Street where Karpis and Campbell were staying; that Hunter went out to get a party known as "Sam" and after they returned all five discussed what each man's part was to be in the train robbery. It was outlined that "Sam" was to take the engineer and fireman, Karpis and Campbell would go into the baggage and mail car, Hunter was to stand out on the platform and take a general view of everything, and he (Brock) was to take care of the expressman.

He will further state that he later met Karpis and Hunter on a street corner in Toledo; that they drove to Garrettsville, Ohio, drove up near the depot to show the place to him and then drove to a farm house, arriving about 10:30 or 11:00 P.M., that he stayed all night at the farm house but Karpis and Hunter left; that the man who owned the farm house was named Clyde Rochat; that at approximately 1:00 P.M., on November seventh, Karpis and Campbell drove up in a Plymouth Sedan with two machine guns and a shotgun; that all five drove on to Garrettsville, Ohio, and robbed the train as planned at about 2:15 P.M.; that Hunter had a handkerchief over his face during the robbery while Sam, who is Benson Groves, wore a false moustache; that they left Garrettsville in a Plymouth Sedan, driving over back roads until about 7:00 P.M.; at which time they met Joe Roscoe at an appointed place on the road about seven miles out of Port Clinton, Ohio and followed his car into a garage at Port Clinton.

He will further state that they carried the mail bags into the office of a garage man in Port Clinton and opened them up; that Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, "Sam" and himself were present and that Joe Roscoe and the garage man were standing around the stove in the garage; that \$34,000.00 in money was taken from the bags and that the bags and the remainder of their contents were then burned in the stove; that the money was then split up by Karpis with expenses being taken out - \$2,000.00 going to Joe Roscoe, half of which was the money he had advanced and the remainder for leading them to the garage; \$1,000.00 going to the garage man for the use of his garage and later disposing of the Plymouth Sedan;

\$5,100.00 to each of the actual participants and an unknown share for Sam Coker, who was supposed to have been in on the job, but was sick.

He will further testify that Hunter, Campbell, Sam and Joe Roscoe left the garage for Toledo at about 11:00 P.M., and that the garage man, John Zetzer drove Karpis, Fred Hunter and himself to his home, located about ten or twelve blocks from the garage, where the three of them slept in the front bedroom; that they were carrying their guns with them in hand bags; that on the following morning at about 10:00 a brother of John Zetzer drove Karpis, Hunter and Brock to a field outside of town where a plane was landing as they drove up.

He can further testify that Karpis, Fred Hunter, John Brock, with John Zetzer piloting the plane, left Port Clinton and after two forced landings, arrived at Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Karpis and Hunter left the plane; that en-route Karpis told Brock to give the pilot \$500.00 after leaving Tulsa, where he was to take Brock.

Brock will also testify that during March and April, 1935, when he was in Cleveland staying at the Gordon Square Hotel that he visited a tavern operated by three sisters; and Karpis and Hunter were with him (this apparently is the Twilight Tavern operated by Sally Jackson and her sisters, Florence and Pauline Jasany).

SALLY JACKSON AND FLORENCE JASANY will testify that Karpis, Hunter and Campbell frequented the Twilight Tavern in April, 1935; that they remained over night on several occasions; that in September, 1935, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter visited the tavern with Sam Coker, at which time Karpis and Campbell had said that Coker was an old friend of theirs; that about a week later these same men came back and stated that they had been to the Max Baer-Joe Louis fight in New York; that on or about August 25, 1935, Sally Jackson observed Karpis, Campbell and Fred Hunter in the Harvard Club in Cleveland, which was operated by Art Hebebrand.

Both of these witnesses will further testify that on numerous occasions while they visiting the Twilight Tavern, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter were wearing pistols and that on one occasion these persons gave their pistols to Sally, handed them across the bar, and stated: "Sally, put the hardware away."

LILLIAN MEREJA will testify that she was a prostitute in the house operated by Edith Barry in Toledo; that Karpis and Campbell in the Spring and Summer of 1934 and in January, 1935, and on several occasions thereafter, frequented Edith Barry's house, remaining there for periods as long as ten days to two weeks, upstairs in the front bedroom where their wants were administered to by Edith Barry; that she observed Fred Hunter

visit Campbell and Karpis at Edith Barry's house during January or February of 1935 and engage in private conversations with Sharkey Gorman, Campbell and Karpis, in the upstairs room; that in April, 1935, while Karpis and Campbell were at Edith's house they were again visited by Sharkey Gorman and Fred Hunter, who remained over night with the prostitute named "Peaches", otherwise known as Marie Gallup; that in the latter part of October of the first part of November, 1935, Fred Hunter and a middle aged man came to Edith's house and they both remained over night.

MARIE GALLUP will testify that while working as a prostitute in Edith Barry's house in Toledo she observed Karpis and Campbell remained there for several days on different occasions; that they kept to themselves in an upstairs bedroom and were waited on by Edith Barry; that she on one occasion stayed all night with Fred Hunter, who visited Karpis and Campbell at Edith's place and who told her that he was a gambler from Cleveland and that he had been in the same room previously but that he had been with another girl at that time.

MARGARET BALL, colored maid at Edith Barry's house of prostitution in Toledo, will testify that Fred Hunter visited Edith's place to see Karpis and Campbell sometime in the early Spring of 1935.

WALTER WAMSLEY, negro houseman at Edith Barry's house of prostitution, will identify Fred Hunter as being one of the visitors who came to Edith's place to see Karpis and Campbell; that this was around the latter part of March, 1935, and that Hunter remained over night on this occasion; that shortly before Easter (April 21, 1935) Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and a third man came to the house at night, leaving again the next morning; that also in the Summer of 1935 Fred Hunter returned to Edith Barry's place and that again in the latter part of September of first part of November, 1935, Karpis and Fred Hunter visited Edith's place.

JOHN BROCK

It can be proved through Brock's own statements that he was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, in July of 1934, went to Toledo in the Spring of 1935, checked into the Lorain Hotel and about two days later met Harry Campbell and a girl, whom he later knew as Lillian Merea, on the street corner in Toledo; that Campbell told him that he had had an automobile accident and that he wanted him (Brock) and the girl to negotiate for a trade in on the car; that as it was pre-arranged, Brock met Lillian Merea the following day and went to Edith Barry's house of prostitution where he talked to Karpis and Campbell, who were in a room on the second floor; that he and Lillian Merea went to the Arnold Ford Agency at Tenth and Adams Street and on the following day closed the deal, trading in Campbell's 1933 Ford Coupe which had been wrecked, for a 1935 Ford Coupe; that this trade in was negotiated by Brock and Lillian Merea, posing as his wife, under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller.

Brock further admits that he returned to Edith's place, talked to Karpis and Campbell, was told by them to go to the Harvard Club in Cleveland and there contact a party named Sharkey or Tony, whom he later knew to be Sharkey Gorman and Tony Amersbach; that he made the trip to Toledo and contacted both Amersbach and Gorman and told them that Karpis wanted him (Gorman) to come to Toledo and that Karpis also wanted Gorman to get him (Karpis) an apartment in Cleveland; that he (Brock) returned to Toledo that night, went to Edith Barry's house the following day where he saw Karpis and Campbell in a room on the second floor, noticing that Sharkey Gorman was with them; that on the following day he again visited Edith's place and talked to Karpis and Campbell; that while he was there Fred Hunter came in and he was introduced to him; shortly thereafter upon the instructions of Karpis, he and Hunter went to the Lorain Hotel where Brock checked out and both of them drove to the Harvard Club in Cleveland, where they picked up Gorman.

On the following day Brock had checked in at the Gordon Square Hotel in Cleveland under the name of "T. J. Evans", he will testify that Sharkey Gorman, Joe Roscoe and himself drove out into the country to try to find a place to rent to be used as a hide-out after the contemplated robbery at Warren, Ohio; that on the following day Fred Hunter drove him to Warren to show him the "mark"; that they watched the train come in and made other plans with respect to robbing this train; that they then returned to Cleveland and met Karpis in the apartment Hunter had rented, where he and Karpis then talked of the possibilities of the success of the proposed robbery at Warren.

Brock will further testify that he and Karpis drove

back to Toledo that night and went to Edith Barry's house, that while there Joe Roscoe and Harry Campbell came to Edith's place and the four of them talked in the front room about robbing the mail train at Warren; that the plans were to the effect that Joe Roscoe was to be the "finger man" and fix the "get away"; that after this conversation he and Karpis drove to Cleveland where they met Fred Hunter, Sharkey Gorman and another person, unknown to Brock; that shortly thereafter he went to the Gordon Square Hotel.

Brock will further state that on the following day he did not contact Campbell, Hunter or Karpis and becoming worried, went to the Harvard Club where Gorman told him he (Gorman) had not seen the boys as they felt that the place was being watched by the Government; that three or four days later he checked out of the Gordon Square Hotel and returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

It can be further proved through Brock's own statements, that around the middle of May, 1935, "Burhead" Keady came to him and told him that Karpis and Campbell were at a farm house on the Tulsa-Sapulpa Road; that he contacted them and was told by them that the Warren robbery had netted them \$72,000.00; that on or about November 1, 1935, Fred Hunter contacted him at Tulsa and upon his solicitation Brock traveled with Hunter to Cleveland and thence by himself to Toledo, where he checked into the Lorain Hotel under the name of "Evans"; that Hunter came by the Hotel later in the afternoon of the same day and took him to Karpis and Campbell, who were staying on Adams Street.

Brock will further testify that, concerning the plans made by Karpis and Campbell to rob the mail train at Carrettsville, Ohio, preceding this robbery they stayed at Clyde Rochat's farm house; that Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Benson Groves and himself robbed the train at about 2:15 P.M., on November 7, 1935, and then drove to a garage at Port Clinton, Ohio, where they met Joe Roscoe and John Zetzer, the garage man; that the money was split up at this garage by Karpis, \$2,000.00 being given to Joe Roscoe, \$1,000.00 going to the garage man for the use of the garage and for later disposing of the Plymouth Sedan; and \$5,100.00 to each of the actual participants, with an unknown sum going to Sam Coker, who was supposed to have been in on the job, but was sick.

Brock will further state that on the following morning Zetzer, who had operated a plane, flew Karpis, Hunter and himself to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Hunter and Karpis departed; that he then went on with Zetzer to Tulsa, Oklahoma, paying the pilot \$500.00 as instructed by Karpis.

Brock will admit that he knew Doc Barker and Volney Davis in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary and that at the time he met Karpis and Campbell around March, 1935, he knew that they were criminals and were wanted by the Government for kidnaping; that he had read in newspapers and magazines about Karpis and Campbell and that he and "Burhead" Keady had discussed the kidnapings and were unable to decide whether Karpis had taken part in both the Hamm and Bremer kidnapings and Campbell in only one, or whether Campbell was involved in the two kidnapings and Karpis in only one of them.



JOHN ZETZER will testify that he owns and operates the Marine Garage at 328 W. Perry Street, Port Clinton, Ohio; that in November, 1935, after he had talked with Karpis about securing an airplane, on November 7, 1935, at about 8:30 or 9:00 P.M., Karpis and several other men arrived at his garage carrying bags and guns into the office; that these bags were thrown into the stove and burned; that Karpis told him, in the presence of the other men, one of whom he can identify as John Brock, that the car was "hot" and suggested that it either be burned or driven into the lake; that at this time Karpis advanced him (Zetzer) \$500.00 for the proposed airplane trip and that Karpis, Hunter and Brock followed him to his home at 410 Laurel Avenue in Port Clinton where they stayed all night.

He will further state that the next morning he went to Toledo, closed the deal on the airplane with Delbert Gross of the Gross Automatic Service Incorporation, flew back to Port Clinton and picked up Karpis, Hunter and Brock, who were just arriving in his brother's (George Zetzer) car; that Karpis, Hunter and Brock immediately got in the plane and he (Zetzer) flew them to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Karpis and Hunter left; that he continued on to Tulsa, Oklahoma with John Brock, arriving there on the afternoon of November 10, 1935, at which time Brock gave him \$500.00 in cash for the trip.

MARIE GALLUP will testify that while she was practicing prostitution in Edith Barry's house in Toledo, she saw John Brock there on one occasion around the latter part of March, 1935, at which time she had an all night date with him; that she observed him talking with Karpis and Campbell and that Karpis paid the bill incurred by Brock.

LILLIAN MEREA will testify that while practicing prostitution in Edith Barry's house in Toledo in approximately March, 1935, she went out with Harry Campbell at his request, called "T. F. Evans" at the Lorain Hotel, whom she later found to be John Brock, and requested him to meet her on the corner, which he did and where he was contacted by Harry Campbell; that the following morning, at the suggestion of Harry Campbell, she contacted Brock at the Hotel, who accompanied her to the Arnold Ford Company for the purpose of arranging the trade in on Harry Campbell's damaged 1933 Ford Coupe; that after they secured the new car she and John Brock went back to Edith Barry's house, where he went upstairs and talked in the bedroom with Karpis, Campbell and Edith Barry.

RICHARD CARY will testify that on or about March 25, 1935, while he was an automobile salesman for the Lyman Arnold Incorporation, he noticed a 1933 model Ford Coupe in a badly damaged condition in the shop; that he talked with a woman, who called with reference to this damaged car; that on March 26, 1935, this woman came to the sales room, accompanied by a man, whom he identifies as John Brock, and who called himself "Charles Miller"; that the woman posed as the wife of Miller; that a deal was consummated whereby the 1933 wrecked Ford Coupe was traded in on a new 1935 DeLuxe Coupe, \$285.00 being given as the trade in value of the 1933 car.

He can further testify from the records of the



Ford Agency that Ohio license plates for 1935 which were transferred to the newly purchased car, were HM 54.

COLIN MONROE

Advice has been received to the effect that the above named man is at the present time a citizen of Canada and is beyond the territorial jurisdiction of the United States. For these reasons, a summary of the events implicating this individual, are not being set forth herein.

JOE ROSCOE

S. K. McKEE AND E. J. LYNN, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will testify as to the contents of a signed statement submitted by Joe Roscoe on January 26, 1937, at Miami, Florida, wherein he admits that he knows Willie Harrison (now deceased), Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, James J. Wilson, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Oliver "Izzy" Berg, Sam Coker, Sharkey Gorman, Edward McGraw, Russell Gibson, Arthur Hebebrand, Benson Groves and Wynona Burdette; that during the Spring and early Summer of 1934 he met and associated with Campbell, Barker, Gibson, Berg and others at the Casino Club in Toledo, operated by Ted and Bert Angus; that about this time Willie Harrison and Bert Angus both told him that these individuals, namely those mentioned above, were the "hottest gang in the country"; that around this time he read in the Toledo newspapers about Karpis, Campbell and the Barkers and saw their photographs and read that they were wanted for the Bremer kidnaping by the Government; that on different occasions he saw Harry Campbell, Russell Gibson and Alvin Karpis in the Casino Club in the presence of Bert Angus, armed with pistols; that during the Summer and Fall of 1934 Roscoe frequently visited the Casino Club where at times various members of the gang would ask him about the police in Canada, and that he told them the police there were "tough" and they should stay away from there.

Roscoe will further admit that during this time both Gibson and Karpis borrowed large amounts of money from him; that in the Fall of 1934 Karpis borrowed more money from him at Edith's house in Toledo; that the aggregate sum of money loaned to various members of the gang would possibly total \$9,000.00.

Roscoe in his statement also admits that during the year 1935 he met Karpis, Fred Hunter, Sharkey Gorman, Willie Harrison and Charles J. Fitzgerald at Edith Barry's place; that in the Fall of 1934 he went to the Casino Club where he met Campbell who was reading a newspaper in which there was an article about an unidentified man who had been found dead on the outskirts of Toledo; that he recalls Campbell pointing his finger at the article and saying: "That's the son of a bitch."

Roscoe further admits that he saw Harry Campbell in the Spring of 1935 at Edward and Clara McGraw's place on Adams Street in Toledo and later saw Karpis there; that in the late Fall of 1935 he went to Port Clinton, Ohio, to John Zetzer's garage where he met Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Benson Groves, Fred Hunter and another man, whom he cannot identify; that Karpis gave him \$1,000.00 at this time, after which he (Roscoe) drove some of the men to the Armory at Port Clinton, where he let them out of the car; that on several occasions after this he visited Harry Campbell at the McGraw's apartment in Toledo.

He can also recall that during the year 1934 at the Casino Club in the presence of Bert Angus, Alvin Karpis, Russell Gibson and himself, Gibson said that there were Federal Agents

living in a house at Point Place, they had a telephone tap on the Casino Club and that they (members of the gang) ought to dynamite the Federal Agents into Lake Erie; that Alvin Karpis and Bert Angus replied that they should not do this, inasmuch as it would bring about martial law, close up the town and have them all in jail.

Roscoe can further recall that in the Summer of 1935 at the Harvard Club in Cleveland he was told by James "Shirley" Patton that there was a gang hanging around the Club that he would like to get rid of, pointing out Karpis, Campbell and Fred Hunter, who were at that time in the yard of the Harvard Club, that Roscoe said to Patton that they were the same bunch who had been around the Casino Club in Toledo and that they were "a hot bunch."

ARTHUR E. HERMAN will testify that he operates a boat repair shop; that in the Spring of 1935 he was riding from Toledo to Detroit with Joe Roscoe at which time Roscoe inquired if he recalled the two men who were trying to buy Angus' boat and then told the witness that the two men (Barker and Gibson) were members of the Karpis-Barker gang who had been hanging out at the Casino Club and that Roscoe told the witness that he had the two men out riding in his speed boat but that they did not buy it as he asked them \$5,000.00 for it.

MARGARET BALL, colored maid at Edith Barry's house of prostitution in Toledo, will testify that she knows Joe Roscoe, that Roscoe visited Edith's place and that in January, 1935, she can testify that Karpis and Campbell were at Edith Barry's and Roscoe called and was admitted to the living room; that thereafter Barry and Roscoe went up to the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell, where she (Margaret Ball) served beers to Karpis, Campbell, Roscoe and Edith Barry.

She can testify that Roscoe at that time was in the right front bedroom with Karpis and Campbell where they had their drinks.

It can be further proved through this witness that several nights later Roscoe again called one evening and was let into the house by Margaret Ball; that Edith Barry called from upstairs and told him to go up; that he do so and that later that evening, she (Margaret Ball) served beer to Edith Barry and Campbell and a coca-cola for either Roscoe or Karpis; that all of them were in the right front bedroom; that she can recall on that occasion Roscoe stayed for a half hour or so and then left; on still another occasion Roscoe called at the house of Edith Barry while Karpis and Campbell were there and these two joined Roscoe downstairs and the three of them, with Edith Barry, went into the dining room and talked together.

She can further recall that a short while later Roscoe left; that he was in the habit of visiting Edith Barry's house occasionally, but that during the time Karpis and Campbell were there, his visits were more frequent.

JOHN BROCK, now in jail pending trial for participation in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery in November, 1935, will testify that he came to Toledo and Cleveland to participate with Karpis and Campbell in some "jobs", having been released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, in July, 1934; that he knows Joe Roscoe and that Roscoe and Sharkey Gorman called for him at the Gordon Square Hotel in Cleveland, upon the instructions of Karpis and Campbell, and they drove out into the country to try to find a place to rent to be used in connection with the proposed mail robbery; that in the plans for this robbery it was to be the duty of Roscoe to find a "plant" and that they looked at several places but none were rented and that Roscoe drove him back to the Hotel.

He will also testify that he made several trips to Edith Barry's house or prostitution, where Karpis and Campbell were staying and that while there Roscoe, Karpis, Campbell and himself discussed robbing the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio; that Roscoe participated in this conversation, that it was decided that Roscoe would be the "finger man" and fix the "get away".

He can further testify that on November 7, 1935, Fred Hunter, Karpis, Campbell and another man, robbed the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, and met Joe Roscoe at a garage in Port Clinton, Ohio, where Roscoe was given \$2,000.00 as his part of the spoils and Roscoe then left the garage.

He will further testify that Joe Roscoe and the garage owner were present when the mail bags were burned.

JOHN ZETZER, Port Clinton, Ohio, will testify that he has known Joe Roscoe for four or five years; that during the last week in August, 1935, Roscoe contacted him and asked him if he still had an airplane, as some friends of his (Roscoe's) wanted to make a trip south; that he (Zetzer) indicated to Roscoe that he was interested in the proposition, whereupon Roscoe drove him to a point opposite the new Post Office in Port Clinton, Ohio, where he was introduced to Karpis; that Karpis told him in Roscoe's presence that he wanted to make a trip down south soon and that final negotiations would be made later; that a few days later Karpis again contacted him in Port Clinton in the company of Fred Hunter and made a deal with Zetzer to fly them south; that they went on to say they would meet in Zetzer's garage at 8:00 or 9:00 P.M. on the night of November 7, 1935.

He can further testify that on November 7, 1935, he returned to his garage at 8:15 P.M.; that a few minutes later Roscoe arrived at the garage by himself and asked whether the "boys" had come in yet; that shortly afterwards a car drove into the driveway, one of the occupants told him to open the garage door, that the car was driven into the garage and immediately thereafter Roscoe closed the door; that he observed the occupants of the car to be Karpis and

several other men who were carrying a number of bags and guns into the office; that Karpis told him at this time, in the presence of the others, to dispose of the car in which they had driven to the garage, suggesting that it either be burned or driven into the lake.

He will further testify that around 11:00 P.M., Roscoe left the garage with either two or three of the other men and on the following day he (Zetzer) flew Karpis, Brock and Fred Hunter to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he took John Brock from there to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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I, Charlie Becker, do hereby furnish the following signed statement to Special Agents A. Dickstein and E. B. Dill, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio, of my own free will, without threats or promises of reward made to me by the Agents. I have also been advised that I need not furnish this statement, however, I voluntarily give this statement knowing true and well that the statement made herein by me, may be used against me in any criminal proceedings, or otherwise, in any court of competent jurisdiction.

I am 52 years old, widowed, was born in New York City, N.Y., and first came to Toledo, Ohio in 1913. I am an engineer by trade, and have worked for the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, at Cleveland, Ohio, on and off since 1913. My first acquaintance with Ted Angus was in 1927, at which time I was employed by Angus as a carpenter in a Smoke Shop and Bootlegging joint which was operated and run by Ted and his brother Bert Angus. The Smoke Shop was located at that time on Huron Street, off of Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio. I worked for Ted Angus for about two years, when I left to work for the Pittsburgh Steamship Company. The next time I returned to Toledo, Ohio in 1930, I found Ted and Bert Angus operating the Casino Club, located on Summit Street, Point Place, Ohio. I was again employed by the Angus' as carpenter, handy-man, and bartender at the Casino Club. I have always obtained employment with the Angus brothers, whenever the boats stopped running during the winter months.

I have been shown a group of photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and after carefully reviewing these photographs I have identified the following list of photographs bearing the likenesses of persons I have seen at the Casino Club, Point Place, Ohio, during the summer of 1934:

Alvin Karpis	- late photograph, wearing black sweater, white shirt and collar buttoned, and no tie. Scar at temple above and slightly in front of left ear, bust photograph.
Harry Campbell	- picture showing subject wearing slip over sweater, white shirt and tie.
Arthur (Doc) Barker	- late picture. Dressed only in under-shirt.
Russell Gibson	- full view photo. Dressed in double-breasted suit, shirt and tie, wearing spats.
Joseph P. (Doc) Moran	- numbered 2382-X.



Willie Harrison	-	Hammond P.D. #1829.
William Weaver	-	wearing dark suit, white shirt and striped tie.
Volney Davis	-	U. S. Penitentiary, Alcatraz #271.
Ollie Berg	-	wearing glasses, white shirt, collar open, grey coat and vest.
Jimmie Wilson	-	Grey suit, collar and tie, white shirt.
Charles J. Fitzgerald	-	wearing light striped shirt, collar open, and wearing suspenders.
Ted Angus	-	Number 9617 - wearing white shirt, knitted tie and dark suit.
George Timiney	-	wearing dark suit, white shirt and figured tie.
Wynona Burdette	-	dark dress, three triangular buttons appearing on each shoulder, profile showing full view of ear.
Delores Delaney	-	dark dress, with ruffle top, bobbed hair, reaches the top of the collar of the dress.

The above photographs which I have identified, I have also marked them with my initials for identification.

Alvin Karpis - I have known this man by the name of "Slim," and a girl who had been with him, I now identify as Delores Delaney. During the month of May 1934, I saw Karpis come into the Casino Club on four different occasions, and on two of these occasions I saw Karpis and Ted Angus sit together at a table or drink together at the bar. To my best recollection, Karpis had visited the Casino Club during the daytime, and on one or two occasions, I saw Delores Delaney with Karpis. Whenever Karpis came to the Club, he remained only fifteen or twenty minutes, and then departed. I did not know where Karpis lived with his lady friend.

Harry Campbell - I have known this man by the name of "Buff," and the lady with him, I now identify as Wynona Burdette. I have also seen these two individuals visit the Casino Club at Point Place during the months of May and June 1934, and both of them would sometime visit the club about two or three times a day. Campbell would most times be in company with Wynona Burdette, and they visited days and nights. Upon each of their visits, they would drink with either Ted or Bert Angus. Campbell would visit but fifteen or twenty minutes, however, he was at the Casino Club more often than was Karpis. About the latter part of May or the first week in June 1934, Campbell, who was known to me as "Buff," came to Ted Angus, and spoke to Ted in front of the Casino Club, telling Ted that he, Campbell, was expecting a moving van and asked Ted would he let his furniture be stored in the upper floor of the building



next to the Casino Club, which place was also run by Ted Angus. Ted consented to do so, and instructed me to assist the movers in moving Campbell's furniture from 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place to the Casino Club. Then "Buff" told me that he expects the truck soon. At the time Campbell asked Ted Angus for the space of the Casino Club for storing his furniture, there was Ted, "Buff," and myself standing in front of the Club, as it was quite warm that day. When the moving truck arrived (the name of which I do not know), I proceeded with the truckers to 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place and when we had the truck half loaded with Campbell's furniture, a heavy downpour of rain started, and the driver told us to return the furniture to the house, as the rain was too heavy, and the furniture might get wet. This we did, and the following day, the truck van again arrived, and I joined them to the 131st Street address. We loaded all the furniture, and the truckers delivered all this furniture which was taken from Campbell's house and all of the stuff was placed in the upper floor of the building next door to the Casino Club. This property was also operated by Ted and Bert Angus. Ted instructed me to see that I show the movers where to place the furniture upon its arrival. When I left the Casino Club to work on the boats, I believe that the furniture was still stored at the Casino Club, however, I heard rumors that this furniture was to be moved out of town.

Arthur "Doc" Barker - is an individual known to me as "Doc" and "Shorty," and this individual was seen by me at the Casino Club during May and June 1934, and I always saw Barker during the afternoons inside the club, drinking at the bar or at the table with Ted and Bert Angus. I also saw this individual, known to me as "Shorty," wearing Yacht Caps, and Slim Gibson and Harry Campbell also were wearing these Yacht Caps. I was told by Willie Harrison that all of this gang (whom I know now to be members of the Barker-Karpis gang) were bootleggers. For this reason I never paid much attention to them, in view of the tremendous amount of bootlegging that was going on in that vicinity of Point Place, Ohio.

Joseph P. "Doc" Moran - is an individual known to me as "Doc." I have seen this individual during the month of April and the first week of May 1934, after which time, this man suddenly disappeared. I have always observed this man drinking heavily, and was very talkative. I never saw this individual mix very much with any of the other members of the gang, and never saw him in company with any girls. He drank by himself, and sometimes sat at a table with Ted or Bert Angus, and sometimes would see him sitting with other members of the gang, those of whom I have previously identified.

William Weaver - is the individual known to me as "Bill," and I saw this man at the Casino Club on four different occasions during the month of May 1934. At the time Weaver visited the Club he stood at the bar and drank with "Shorty" whom I now know as Arthur "Doc" Barker.

Weaver came to the club during the day and remained for about one-half to three-quarters of an hour. Otherwise there are no particular incidents which I can relate at this time connecting this individual with anyone but "Doc" Barker, and also the fact that occasionally I saw Weaver drink at the bar with Ted or Bert Angus.

Ollie Berg - is the individual whom I identify as one of the gang who had visited the Casino Club during May 1934. I have seen him visit the Club at least once every day during the period of one month. I observed that upon each of the visits made by Berg to the Club, he kept very much by himself, occasionally greeting some of the members of the Karpis gang, was quiet and drank by himself. I have not known this individual by any particular name, but identify from the photograph exhibited to me, amongst the group of members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Willie Harrison - is an individual identified by me, and known to me as "Willie the Clown." He was known around the Casino Club as a "Hell Raiser," always clowning about, and up to mischief all the time. I have seen Willie at the Club during April, May and June 1934, visiting the Club at least once a day for a three month period. From my best recollection, Willie was the most frequent visitor at the Casino Club. One day Willie remarked to me that the gang wearing the Yacht caps were runners, in other words, Bootleggers. Willie also impressed me as being the person who handled many matters for the gang, and all parties or fishing trips would be arranged and instigated by Willie Harrison. I also observed on many occasions that Willie was carrying a Golf Club with him, and I understand that Willie was known to be a good golfer. About the latter part of 1934, the date or time I could not recall, Cooley Munro, another handy man at the Casino Club, told me in confidence that Willie Harrison was taken for a ride. I was surprised at hearing this news, and no further conversation was had in connection with Harrison's disappearance. Cooley Munro said nothing further about the matter.

Slim Gray - is the individual known to me as "Slim." I have seen "Slim" at the Casino Club about 5 times, at which times I saw him together with "Shorty" "Buff" and sometimes there was Ted or Bert Angus together. All of these individuals would stand at the bar and drink together. To my best recollection, "Slim" visited the Casino Club during the month of May 1934, and saw him on a number of occasions wearing a yacht cap. I believed he too was a bootlegger.

Charles J. Fitzgerald - is the individual I identify as "Dad," and a person who had visited the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, particularly the month of May 1934, at which time "Dad" came to the Club and spoke with "Willie the Clown" Willie Harrison; "Buff" Harry Campbell and "Shorty" Arthur "Doc" Barker; "Dad" Fitzgerald visited very seldom, and to my recollection "Dad" visited the Casino on six different occasions, all of these visits being made by him during the time the Barker-

Karpis gang frequented there. He was a man about 6' 0", age about 62 years, and always carried a cane.

Volney Davis - is the individual I identified as visiting the Casino Club on very few occasions during April or May 1934. Upon one of his visits I saw Davis at the bar with "Buff" "Shorty" and Jimmy Wilson. They all drank together. In view of the very few times I saw Volney Davis, I am unable to place him with any particular activities that occurred during May 1934, however, he appeared to be familiar with most members of the gang, photographs of which I have previously identified.

Jimmy Wilson - is known to me as "Jimmy," and this individual was a very frequent visitor at the Casino Club. He was a handsome fellow and mixed with most members of the gang. Wilson was seen at the Club during April and May 1934, and upon making his numerous visits, I observed Wilson drinking with "Doc" Barker, Willie Harrison, Harry Campbell, known to me as "Buff," Slim Gray, and "Doc" Moran. Jimmy Wilson appeared to be in with everyone at the Casino Club, and impressed me as a good mixer. Wilson was well acquainted with Ted and Bert Angus.

Ted Angus - is known to me by his true name. I have been employed by him as carpenter, handy man, and bartender at the Casino Club for which he paid me \$15.00 including room and board. I began working in this capacity in March 1934 and worked continuously until October 1934, at which time I left to work on the boats which was anchored at its winter quarters, which was located at Lagoon Dock, Bayview Park, Toledo, Ohio. During the months of April and May 1934, I have observed Ted and Bert Angus, on numerous occasions drink with Harry Campbell, known to me as "Buff," Arthur "Doc" Barker, known to me as "Shorty," Willie Harrison, known to me as "Willie the Clown," William Weaver, known to me as "Bill," Alvin Karpis, known to me as "Slim," Slim Gray, also known to me as "Slim," Volney Davis, Jimmy Wilson, Charles J. Fitzgerald, known to me as "Dad," and Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department. From my observation, Ted and Bert Angus appeared to be friendly with all of the individuals mentioned above and whom I have identified from photographs as members of the Barker-Karpis gang. At one time Ted Angus told me, or had intimated to me that I don't know these fellows, meaning the persons whose names I have mentioned above, who have at numerous times visited the Casino Club in April and May 1934.

During the time I was working for Ted and Bert Angus from October 1933 to June 1934, numerous women whom I knew to be madams of houses of prostitutions in Toledo, Ohio, came out to the Casino Club where I was working to see Ted Angus. On each occasion when Ted Angus was not in, these women left with me a sealed envelope, on which was written only that first name, and requested that I give the envelope

with its contents to Ted Angus. All these envelopes which were turned over to me and which were to be delivered to Ted, were sealed, however, I knew there was money in these envelopes because I could see the money through the envelope. There were about 15 or 20 of these madams coming to the Casino Club each week to leave these envelopes containing money to be turned over to Ted Angus. They usually came out to the Casino Club in either a Red or Yellow Taxi. I do not know the full names of any of these women, but I recall the first names and descriptions of some of them as follows:

- Mabel - heavy set, dark hair, and dark complexion, about 48 to 50 years old, and about 5' 5" tall.
- Sadie - a Jewish woman, about 45 years old, about 5' 4" tall, dark hair and dark complexion.
- "Mother H" a Jewish woman, about 60 years old, slender, and about 5' 7" tall.
- Marine - a Jewish woman about 35 years of age, 5' 4" in height, and rather light complected.
- Edith - about 30 or 32 years of age, slender build, about 5' 7" tall.

George Timiney - I identify as Captain George Timiney, of the Toledo Police Department who visited the Casino Club about two or three times a week, and other times he would not show up at the Club for a period of one to two weeks. Timiney visits to the Casino Club occurred from October 1933 to June 1934, at which time I had been employed at Ted Angus' place steadily, and at which times I received the envelopes from the above named Madams. I only worked during the day time, and it was very possible that Timiney may have visited the Casino Club at night.

In January 1934, Willie Harrison came to the Casino Club with two girls, and the three of them went to sleep in the back of the Casino Club. In the afternoon the three of them arose and went to some hotel in downtown Toledo, and about seven o'clock that evening, Bert and Ted Angus were at the Casino Club, and Bert conceived the idea of playing a joke on Willie Harrison. Bert then called George Timiney, Detective of the Toledo Police Department, and requested that Timiney come out to the Casino Club. Bert and Ted then told Timiney and his partner, whose name I do not remember, to go to the downtown hotel where Willie Harrison was staying and arrest him on the charge of bigamy, and tell him they were arresting him for playing around the married women and breaking up homes. Ted requested me to state that I did not know Willie Harrison, when Timiney brought Willie back out to the Casino Club. Timiney and his partner then left the Casino Club and soon thereafter returned with

Willie Harrison. Upon entering the Casino Club, Willie Harrison asked Ted and Bert Angus to identify him, but Ted and Bert denied knowing him. Willie then asked me to identify him and tell Timiney he was all right, but I told Timiney that I had never seen the man before in my life. The joke was carried on for a short time and then it was explained to Willie Harrison that the whole matter was just a joke. That same evening, Willie Harrison left the Casino Club and did not return for several days.

Lucien C. Fleming - I identify this individual as "Ludy" and have known him to be a member of the State Liquor Control of Ohio. During May 1934, I have seen Ludy Fleming at the Casino Club about two times a week, and on several occasions I saw Fleming drinking at the bar with Harry Campbell, known to me as "Buff," "Shorty," known to me as "Doc" Barker, and "Slim" Gray, otherwise known as "Slim." I observed Fleming visit the Club during the daytime, and during the months of March, April, May, and June 1934, the time when most of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang had visited there. I had observed Fleming talking to the above mentioned members of the gang.

Nig Cousins - used to come out to the Casino Club at the time I was working there, on numerous occasions, in 1934. Particularly on Sunday evenings, when he would come out to have supper. He would drink and associate with various members of the gang mentioned by me and identified as members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and he seemed to be well acquainted with them.

Ruth - who was living with Ted Angus and Madaline, Bert Angus' wife, and one of Madaline's sisters whose name I do not know used to associate with Wynona Burdette and Delores Delaney, and were with them on numerous occasions when they came to the Casino Club. They all appeared to be very friendly towards each other.

I have read the foregoing statement consisting of six typewritten pages, and have initialed the corrections, also signed each page after reading it carefully. I swear that the statements made by me were true to the best of my knowledge and recollection, and have signed the statement voluntarily.

(S) Charlie Becker

(Witnessed)

Abraham Dickstein  
H. B. Dill

Special Agents  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice  
1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio.

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 4, 1937

Mr. J. P. MacFarland,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1443 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: George Timiney et  
Harboring

Dear Sir:

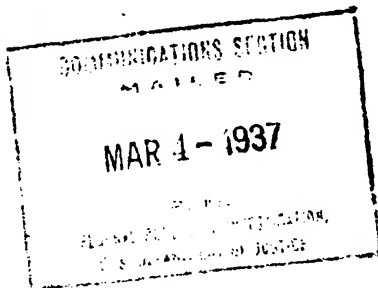
For your information, I am transmitting herewith a photo-  
static copy of a summary memorandum prepared in the Criminal Division,  
together with a copy of a memorandum addressed to me under date of  
February 26, 1937, by Assistant Attorney General Brien McMahon, per-  
taining to this summary. For your further information I am trans-  
mitting herewith a copy of a memorandum which I have addressed to  
Mr. McMahon, indicating the Bureau's attitude in this situation. I  
desire that Agent Wynn immediately review this summary and return it  
to the Bureau with his observations and comments. It will be noted  
from my memorandum to Mr. McMahon dated today, that the Bureau will  
not express any opinion concerning the admissibility of any evidence  
available in this case.

Very truly yours,  
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,  
Assistant Director.

Enclosure #863728

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Glavin .....  
Mr. Ladd .....  
Mr. Nichols .....  
Mr. Rosen .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Mr. Carson .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Gurnea .....  
Mr. Harbo .....  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Your attention is directed to the lead contained in the report of Special Agent Paul M. Plunkett dated Boston, Massachusetts December 20, 1936, to make inquiry concerning the dental history of subject Loran.

It is requested that you give this lead preferred attention, and that copies of the report submitted thereon be forwarded to all divisions receiving copies of this letter.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/4/37</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/3/37</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. J. DEVEREUX</b> <b>WJD:MG</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE TIMNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases- FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b>      Review of Chicago file in this case for identifying features relating to dental work and wounds received by DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN; said to have bullet wounds right and left legs and chest, possibly shrapnel in chest. Information regarding dental work vague; possible gold shell crown on either first or second upper right bicuspid.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>On March 2, 1937, MR. E. A. TAMM of the Bureau telephoned Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd of the Chicago field division, advising that under date of February 25, 1937, Inspector E. J. Connelley had written a letter pertaining to the exhuming of a body at Cleveland, Ohio, in an effort to determine if the body might be identical with DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN. MR. TAMM instructed that a review of the Chicago file be made in this case and a summary of all information pertaining to X-rays taken of DR. MORAN, the shrapnel allegedly in his body and the dental work performed on DR. MORAN'S teeth, be prepared for the benefit of the Cleveland field division.</p> <p>A review of the file at the Chicago field division was made and a physical description of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN was obtained from the report of Special Agent F. G. Tillman, dated at Chicago, Illinois, 3/22/35, as follows:</p>			
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Age	39 (1935)
Born	5/8/95
Height	5' 10"
Weight	155 lbs. (believed to be 175 lbs. in 1935)
Build	Medium
Hair	Chestnut - sandy
Eyes	Yellow dark slate
Complexion	Light, freckled
Scars, etc.	Eyebrows slightly connected.

This description is somewhat at variance with the description contained in a memorandum prepared by the Bureau and forwarded to the Chicago field division under date of August 4, 1936, as enclosure No. 1047383. This memorandum indicates that DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN was born May 8, 1896 and that his height, reflected from his fingerprint card received from the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, December 10, 1928, is set forth as 5' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". The other descriptive features are the same as those set forth above. In this memorandum prepared by the Bureau information is set forth as obtained from the fingerprint card obtained from the War Department, setting forth the following data:

Height	5' 8"
Date of birth	May 8, 1895
Scars and marks	Scar 1/8" diameter on right biceps; P.M. left biceps; scar 1/2" diameter on left shoulder blade; scar 1 3/4" in diameter on back in region of kidney.

In a report prepared by Special Agent H. R. Duffey at Washington, D. C., 5/3/35, information is set forth as being obtained from the War Department that JOSEPH P. MORAN suffered from machine gun shot wounds in the right leg above the knee, incurred during the World War.

In letters from the Chicago field division to the Detroit field division, under date of May 31, 1935, information was set forth as having been obtained from one DR. LEO J. MACKEY, who occupied office space with DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN at Chicago, Illinois, to the effect that DR. MACKEY recalled having examined DR. MORAN'S teeth but that he had never done any work on the teeth, nor had he made a chart. His recollection was that DR. MORAN did not have any fillings, but that he did recall that DR.

MORAN had a severe case of pyorrhea; that his lower front teeth were very loose and that he had a heavy calculus deposit on his teeth. In this same communication, information is set forth as having been obtained from the Warden of the Joliet Penitentiary to the effect that the dental chart prepared on DR. MORAN'S teeth while he was an inmate of the Penitentiary, had been destroyed, but that the Warden did find in the prisoner's file at his institution a memorandum setting forth that DR. MORAN had three ribs fractured on his right side and three fingers fractured on his right hand. The Warden furnished further information to the effect that DR. MORAN had a bullet wound in his right leg, a bullet wound in his left leg and bullet wounds in his chest.

In a letter from the Chicago field division to the Detroit field division dated June 11, 1935 and in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Chicago, Illinois, 6/21/35, information was set forth to the effect that DR. C. J. CARLIN, a physician in the employ of the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, advised that he had examined DR. MORAN on November 17, 1928, at which time an X-ray of DR. MORAN disclosed a foreign substance in his lung tissue which was probably a piece of shrapnel about the size of a pea; that the X-ray film disclosing this foreign body in MORAN'S lung had been destroyed about a year after the same was taken. This same DR. CARLIN gave information to the effect that the penitentiary records pertaining to DR. MORAN disclosed that during the World War DR. MORAN was in a plane crash and injured his left arm and chest, broke two ribs and fractured two fingers of his right hand. Other information obtained from this physician was to the effect that six months after DR. MORAN had been discharged from the Army he was sent to the Veterans Hospital at Boston, Massachusetts, where his left breast was removed. The medical card pertaining to DR. MORAN at the Joliet Prison as of November 17, 1928, as prepared by DR. C. J. CARLIN indicated the following:

Myocarditis - heart poor - lungs good  
Bullet wound left leg  
Bullet wound right leg  
Three ribs fractured left side  
Fracture, left tibia  
Three fingers fractured right hand  
Bullet wound in chest  
X-ray of chest taken 2/20/30 (this probably relates to examination reported by DR. F. J. CHMELIK)

DR. CARLIN could not recall the location of the bullet wounds mentioned.

Contained also in the Prison file pertaining to MORAN was a memorandum prepared by DR. F. J. CHMELIK, Prison Physician, as of March 10, 1930, containing the following information:

Bullet wound left leg  
Bullet wound right leg  
Three ribs fractured left side  
Three fingers fractured right hand  
Bullet wound in chest  
X-ray shows piece of foreign body in left  
lung about the size of a pea and a cavity  
(pus pocket) about the size of a dollar.

This memorandum also contained the statement that DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN was suffering from bronchitis in both lungs, more pronounced however, in right lung and that this condition resembled tuberculosis. DR. MORAN, according to the memorandum, had four hemorrhages, one about a week prior to the date of the memorandum which was on March 10, 1930. This memorandum also stated that DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN had rahls in his left lung and that his condition could develop into active tuberculosis of both lungs.

Also contained in the files of the Joliet Prison relating to DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN was information to the effect that he had been wounded by the explosion of a machine gun at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, during the World War, such wounds being in the face and leg and being deep flesh wounds. This record further set forth that MORAN had been injured in a plane crash in France and had suffered injuries to his left arm and chest, had broken two ribs and had broken two fingers on his right hand.

It will be noted that there appears to be a variance in the various records at the Joliet Penitentiary, in that some records set forth that DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN had three ribs broken and three fingers fractured on his right hand and other reports indicate two ribs broken and two fingers fractured on his right hand.

In a report submitted by Special Agent J. L. Madala, dated at Chicago, Illinois, 12/10/35, information is set forth as obtained from one DR. W. G. STEELE at Depue, Illinois, who had been a friend of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN. DR. STEELE, a dentist, stated that he had never performed any work on DR. MORAN'S teeth, but remembered that DR. MORAN'S upper centrals and laterals were normal and that he also believed that DR. MORAN had had some bridge work in his mouth, but as to this he was not certain.

In this same report an interview had with DR. H. C. BILLIG a dentist at Maywood, Illinois, revealed that this dentist had done nothing to DR. MORAN'S teeth other than clean them and that as he remembered DR. MORAN had excellent teeth; that he did not recall any extractions and, while he was not positive, he believed that DR. MORAN had a gold shell crown fitted over either the first or second upper right bicuspid.

As will be noted, there is nothing definite known about the condition of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN'S teeth, the details obtained from the various dentists being the result of memory only and nothing of record such as a chart or other dental records. Likewise, it will be noted that as concerns the various bullet wounds, there is no indication that any bones were fractured as a result of such wounds, and of course in a decomposed body such wounds could probably not be identified.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 4, 1937

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are three photographs of the  
unidentified body found September 3, 1934, near Talmadge  
and Lasky Roads, Lucas County, Toledo, Ohio.

The investigation with reference to this body is  
contained in the report of Special Agent R.C. Suran,  
Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 3, 1936. As indicated in  
recent correspondence, it is thought that there is a  
possibility that this is the body of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Very truly yours,

*J.P. MacFarland*

J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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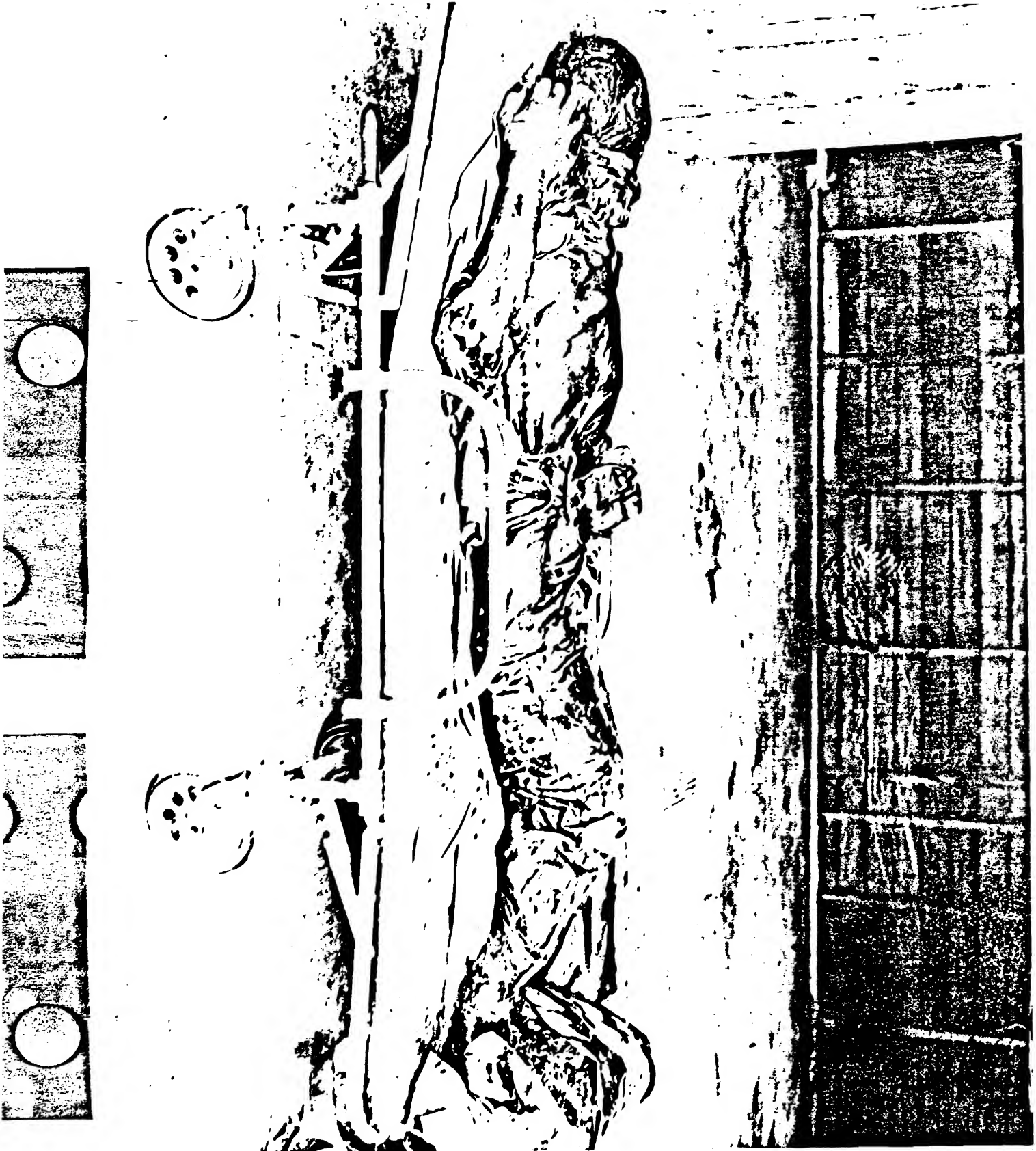
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Cleveland Field Division

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1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 4, 1937

Special Agent in Charge,  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the past investigation conducted by your division at Hammond, Indiana, with reference to the relatives of Benson Groves in that city.

It is now believed desirable to openly interview these relatives for the purpose of enlisting their cooperation in causing the apprehension of Benson Groves. They should be thoroughly interrogated as to the background of Benson Groves, his former and possible present associates, and any and all other information secured from them which may be of value in the investigation seeking his whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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March 5, 1937.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent Eugene X. Humphrey dated at Indianapolis, 2-27-37 in the above entitled case, which contains a lead for the Cincinnati field division to determine the advisability of notifying the Chicago Field division relative to an interview with a Mr. Ellis at Calumet City, Illinois.

Inasmuch as various relatives of Benson Groves are being contacted, it is believed that there is no reason to refrain from contacting Mrs. Ellis and that the Chicago field division should therefore attempt to locate Mrs. Ellis through her son at Calumet City, Illinois, and cause her to be interviewed for information concerning the whereabouts of Groves.

Very truly yours,

H. D. HARRIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>CLEVELAND, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/3/37</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/1 to 24/37</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. J. WYNN</b> <span style="float: right;">LK</span>
TITLE <b>GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBOR- ING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>"Turk" Brennan not located Toledo. Edward Clarence Webb suggests Lou Livingston, Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., as source of information on Benson Groves. Detective Art Langendorf received information from Joe Roscoe that Groves hiding vicinity Canton, Ohio. George "Slim" Martin, "Whitey" Wasserman, "Whitey" Mason, furnished no information of value on Benson Groves. Newspaper publicity relative to Benson Groves evading arrest after being shot by Swanton, Ohio, Marshal on 2/24/37, unfounded. Unable to verify \$35,000 "pay-off" at Algeo Hotel by Karpis to Toledo police officers, as alleged by Ray Berning. Additional investigation on question of "pay-off" in Toledo, unproductive of results. Arthur Carter denies any "fix" on police during time he was a fugitive and residing Algeo Hotel. Maynard R. Fauble reported to be of good reputation and character and is presently in Chicago, Ill. E. R. Fralic, Clay Center, Ohio, mentally unbalanced, and information furnished by him as to persons who harbored Campbell not deemed worthy of investigation. Arrest records on Colin Munro, Sandusky, Ohio, office U. S. Customs, reflect he claimed to be Canadian citizen. Estimated cost exhuming unidentified body Toledo, Ohio, thought to be that of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, approximately \$100. Francis E. Hosier identifies the house at 2831 - 131st St., Point Place, Ohio, as the one in front of which he observed automobile of Bert Angus parked in summer of 1934. Anonymous</p>			
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communication to U. S. Atty, Toledo, Ohio, that Neufio Scott harbored Campbell, apparently unfounded.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated 1/6/37  
Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, dated at Chicago, Ill., 2/10/37  
Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 2/5/37  
Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Miami, Fla., 1/27/37

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 4, 1937:

In connection with the recent investigation conducted by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and A. Paul Mitchin at Canton, Ohio, in an effort to locate the "Brennan Farm" outside of Canton, Ohio, it was requested of the reporting agents to obtain additional information concerning one "Turk" Brennan, who is alleged to be a brother of the person operating the "Brennan Farm".

A search of the criminal files at the Identification Bureau of the Toledo Police Department disclosed the following:

Name	-	JOHN BRENNAN
Aliases	-	James C. Burke, John Daly, "Turk" Brennan, J. C. Ryan, John Horn
Age	-	63 years
Weight	-	160 lbs.
Build	-	Slender
Occupation	-	Clerk
Descent	-	Irish
Cleveland PD	-	#13213
Toledo PD	-	#4090
Hair	-	Dark red
Born	-	Bellaire, Ohio
F.P.C.	-	1 Aa 4 1 As 3

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By letter dated April 8, 1925, John W. Snook, Warden, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, informed the Toledo Police Department that John Daly, alias John Brennan, alias J. C. Ryan, serial #6595, was received at that institution on July 7, 1916 on a charge of Post Office robbery; that he was sentenced from Toledo, Ohio to serve one year and one day, and this sentence expired on April 22, 1917. This letter also indicates that Daly (Brennan) had stated to the authorities at the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, that he had served fifteen months at the Mansfield Reformatory for pickpocketing in 1903; that he also served one week in the workhouse at Wheeling, West Virginia, on a charge of suspicion, under the alias of John Horn.

At the request of the Toledo Police Department, a letter was received from J. H. Woodward, Chief of Police, Dayton, Ohio, stating that the only record the Dayton Police Department had was that of James Brennan, alias "Turk", arrested in West Milton, Ohio on June 18, 1920 for bank robbery as John Horn, alias "Turk" Brennan, and was turned over to the Federal authorities. He was also arrested as "Turk" Brennan at Cleveland, Ohio, on April 15, 1919 for Post Office safe burglary and sentenced to two years in the Atlanta Penitentiary.

A photograph of "Turk" Brennan was obtained from the Toledo Police Department and is being made a part of the Cleveland Field Division file in this case.

It should be noted at this time that during the course of the search made by agents of the criminal record of "Turk" Brennan, there was noted, hidden away among the various letters, a confidential memorandum for the then Inspector of Police, Louis Haas. Agents discreetly made a copy of this memorandum. It may be noted that in this record the names of Joe Roscoe, Tip O'Neill are mentioned:

"December 22, 1924

"To Inspector Haas.

Subject: - General Information.

Ed. Toohey and brother Thomas Toohey. "Bugs" Moran and "Shinner" Crawford Peterman and Stick-ups make frequent trips to Toledo from Chicago and connect with Jake Kelly and "Guinea" Joe Roscoe.

Speedy Webber "Soldier" Murphy, Texas, Harris, Little Willie and Jesse Dunn alias Sullivan, stuck up the Erie, Michigan Bank about 4 years ago.

Jesse Dunn and "Soup House Pete Mason" were settled out of Lima Ohio about 3 years ago. Both are out now. Dunn recently having been released from Columbus. Shortly after Dunns release, he and Pete Mason were at Loretta Schultz alias "Fooch Ryan" 1011 Utica Street, and Mason, at least apparently had made a recent big touch.

Little Willie and Dunn are now supposed to be together and hanging around a bootlegging joint at the corner of Chene and Forest, either 6547 or 6457 Chene, Detroit, also at Tommy Nelsons #38 W. Montcalm, Detroit.

About one years ago, Willie Hand and "Fingers Smitty" took off a meat Market on Adams Street, Toledo, for about \$1200.

Hand, who is a friend of all the men named in the first paragraph is supposed to have an aptment in the Empire Apartments, as is Neukom or Newcomb, (pal of Reggie Coby's), and the above named mob as well as others, make their connections there.

This and other mobs also make connections at 1011 Utica.

Hop is being smoked in Hands and Newcombs apartments.

Jack Peer, Turk Brennan, Tip O'Neill and another took Baker Clothing Co., safe. "Guinea" Joe Roscoe also supposed to be in on this.

Just prior to the Thompson-Hudson safe job, Guinea Joe Roscoe was "Casing the store".

Smith, an old Peterman out of Chicago, and who had been connected with the Navvarre Baths, makes a number of connections with peter mobs, and is very friendly with Phil Kennedy. Kennedy has a brother in law by the name of Marty Pearsol, 195 Church Street, Buffalo, N.Y., and a lot of stuff which comes off in Toledo is handled through Pearsol, and Buffalo stuff is handled through Kennedy and Smith.

Jack Ross and Thomas Burke, two petermen from Chicago, were in Toledo a few weeks ago and connected at 1011 Utica.

Frank Berry and Pete Fuller of Columbus, stuck up party at Wheeling, W. Va., Pete Fuller drove the car and put the mark up.

Fuller had been selling the sucker liquor and had put one or two bad checks over on him.

Pete Fuller and George Miller alias "Claus", are the parties who had stolen a number of cars and sold them to a party in Lancaster, Ohio. Fuller is well known in Columbus, Ohio, and "Claus" is known in Toledo, but has been living in Toledo for about two years.

Smith mentioned above, has an old Cadillac car and makes frequent trips to Chicago connecting with Peter mobs.

Willie Hand owns bootlegging joint at 809 Madison Street, same being conducted by one Mathew and several mobs make connections there.

Petermen --- safe crackers."

The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, February 5, 1937, sets out the detailed investigation made in an effort to locate Benson Groves on a "Brennan" farm, with negative results. The Bureau has been requested for the criminal record of "Turk" Brennan, which may be of value in ascertaining his present whereabouts to determine whether Groves is in association with him.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 16, 1937:

Edward Clarence Webb was interviewed at length and in detail in room 914 at the Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, with reference to his knowledge as to the present whereabouts of Benson Groves. Webb stated that he first met Groves about twenty years ago, when Groves used to stay around "Jumbo" Crowley's establishments at Canton, Ohio; that he saw Groves around Canton, Ohio, for a period of three or four years when he (Webb) was sentenced to the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, in 1921; that when he was released from that penitentiary in 1928, he came to Toledo, Ohio, where he saw Groves on numerous occasions; that he and Groves were in the same outlaw gang for several months, and during November 1930 he and Groves



were both arrested for the robbery of the Steubenville Post Office at Steubenville, Ohio; that James "Tip" O'Neill and Frank Grabowski, also in on the Steubenville job, were sentenced by the Government at the same time he and Groves were sentenced. Webb stated that he was released from the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, on July 28, 1934, after which he went to Kansas City, Missouri, for about a year, then returned to Toledo, Ohio, where he had since remained at the Algeo Hotel; that Groves was scheduled to be released from the penitentiary two months after Webb's release, and on his return to Toledo in 1935 he saw Groves on numerous occasions around 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street and at Joe Roscoe's, 42d Street Cafe on Broadway; that he never saw "Old Ben" at any other place other than the ones named above, since 1935, and it has been about one and a half years since he has seen Groves.

Webb stated that Groves always went by the name of Ben Grayson; that Groves had told him, back in 1920, that he (Groves) had deposited all of his money in a bank at Benwood, West Virginia, because he was a friend of the president of that bank; that due to the fraud practiced by the president of this bank, the president served a term in the penitentiary. Webb stated that he did not know the name of the president of the bank, but the occurrence happened prior to 1920 and the identity of the banker may be ascertained at Benwood, West Virginia. He stated that Benwood, West Virginia, is just a short distance from Moundville, West Virginia, and just across the river from Bellaire, Ohio; that Benwood, West Virginia is situated on the Ohio River and may be reached by ferry from Bellaire, Ohio.

Webb stated that although he operated with Groves for a number of months, he never did like him and for that reason he did not associate with Groves socially; that Ben was known by everyone as "Old Cranky Ben" and he would never talk or speak to anyone unless he had a few drinks; that Ben Groves always stayed by himself and that he chewed Mail Pouch tobacco excessively.

Webb stated that he did not know of a single person who might have been considered a friend of Groves and that he does not believe Groves had any living relatives; that in any event Groves never mentioned any of his relatives to him. Webb stated, however, that he heard Lou Livingston, who is at the present time incarcerated in the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and "Tip" O'Neill speak about a young woman who was playing "Old Ben" for a sucker; that he had heard it rumored that "Old Ben" had purchased a fur coat, an automobile, and other expensive wearing apparel for a girl who was much younger than Groves; that he did not know this girl's name nor how to find out her true identity; that, however, such name might be ascertained from "Tip" O'Neill or Livingston at the Northeastern Penitentiary.

Webb stated that he did not know where Groves lived in Toledo, but he knew that Groves was living in a rooming house and not in a hotel. He stated that he was certain Groves never lived at the Algeo Hotel in Toledo in view of the fact that Groves always reprimanded him for staying at the Algeo Hotel because of the city police congregated at that hotel.

Webb was asked where Groves might be located at the present time, to which he stated that he had no idea; that he did not, however, believe Groves would be around Canton, Ohio, in view of the fact that "Jumbo" Crowley, a former contact of Groves, is now deceased. Webb stated that he believes that Groves is at least seventy years old because he (Webb) is 56 years old and Groves appears to be 15 years older than he.

Webb was questioned with reference to the alleged payoffs around the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, Ohio; however, no information of value was obtained. Webb stated Groves told him that he was born and reared in Benwood, West Virginia. In answer to questions regarding the Brennans, Webb stated that there were two brothers--one "Turk" Brennan, whose present whereabouts he does not know, and another younger brother, Phil Brennan, who he believes has a tavern at East Liverpool, Ohio.

Webb stated that he was departing from Toledo, Ohio, on February 16 and proceeding to Newport, Kentucky; that he expects to be employed in a gambling house which is run in the Glenn Hotel in that city; that he plans to be away from Toledo for about four weeks.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 23, 1937:

Detective Art Langendorf of the Toledo Police Department was interviewed in Room 914, Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio. A photograph of Benson Groves was exhibited to him and he immediately identified the photograph as that of a person known to him as Ben Groves, whom he had last seen in Toledo about one month prior to the time the United States Post Office Department distributed wanted notices for this individual during the summer of 1936. He advised that prior to Groves's departure from Toledo he resided at the Cordova Hotel for a period of two weeks; that from his best knowledge he was advised that Joe Roscoe was paying for Groves's room rent at the Cordova Hotel and occasionally gave Groves a few dollars to spend; that he had observed Groves at the 42d Street Cafe, 831 Broadway, Toledo, Ohio, during the early summer of 1936, at which time he noted Groves sitting by himself in the front part of the cafe.

In answer to a direct question as to where Groves might possibly be at this time, Langendorf stated that he was told by one of his reliable informants that Groves was presently located and hiding on Brennan's Farm, which farm is supposed to be situated on the outskirts of Canton, Ohio; that information was also received by his informant that Groves could be found at the house in which he was last arrested, which was prior to the time Groves completed his last sentence; that this place was alleged to be near Canton, Ohio. Upon further questioning as to who his informant was, Langendorf admitted that Joe Roscoe was the person to whom he referred as his reliable informant; that Roscoe had personally conveyed this information to him with reference to Benson Groves.

It may be noted that Detective Langendorf exhibited a great desire to assist the Bureau with any information in connection with the present whereabouts of Benson Groves and, in this connection, Langendorf voluntarily offered to obtain some valuable information in the next few days which may be helpful in locating Groves; that he expected to discreetly contact Ganey Roscoe, wife of Joe Roscoe, and obtain from her the possible whereabouts of Groves; that he believes that Ganey Roscoe is the only person who can furnish the possible leads which would effect Groves's apprehension. He further stated that he will make a number of contacts of persons about Toledo, Ohio, who were familiar with Groves; that these individuals will divulge such information to him more readily than they would to the Government.

Langendorf explained in detail that although he had visited Middle Island on numerous occasions yet he disclaimed knowledge of Roscoe's connections with the Barker-Karpis gang; that he had visited Middle Island for the purpose of going on fishing trips with persons of good reputation who came from Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio; that he is very fond of fishing and this pastime had brought him together with Roscoe and others at Middle Island. He further stated that prior to Roscoe's departure for Miami Beach, Florida, Roscoe told him that he would be hearing something in the very near future which would throw a reflection upon his character; however, Roscoe related to Langendorf that whatever he will hear he should know that he (Roscoe) was forced to do these things. Langendorf readily admitted the receipt of a telegram from Joe Roscoe in Roscoe advised him that fifty pounds of fish were being forwarded to H. Zahrly of the Elks Club; that this telegram was meant for him (Langendorf) to obtain some of the fish for his own use, which he did; that it was not unusual for Roscoe to send fish from Middle Island during the summer months and from Florida during the winter months, to Mr. Zahrly.

While interviewing Langendorf in connection with the whereabouts of Groves, he was also interviewed at length and in detail as to the vice and gambling situations in Toledo, Ohio, and especially regarding any "pay-offs" that are being made or have been made in Toledo during 1934, 1935, and 1936. Langendorf stated that to his own knowledge there was never any "pay-off" made and if any such "pay-offs" were made, they were delivered to the politicians and the police had no hand in the direct collection of any monies for the purpose of rendering protection to the houses of prostitution and gambling houses. He also denied that he at any time had taken any money for the purpose of furnishing protection to any violators of the law. In proof of this, and to substantiate his statements, Langendorf stated that if at any time the Bureau or any other Government department desires the apprehension of any known criminal or underworld character, he would personally guarantee his delivery to the authorities; that there is not one underworld character who may claim to have protection from arrest that he (Langendorf) would hesitate to arrest for any Government department.

Continuing, Langendorf stated that some weeks before the Post Office Identification Order was issued for Groves, Roscoe told him that he (Roscoe) had gotten rid of Ben Groves; that a few days after this conversation with Roscoe he heard a rumor to the effect that Roscoe had gotten Ben Groves a job at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio. Langendorf stated that he could not recall who told him that Roscoe had obtained a job at the Harvard Club for Groves, but that he was certain that it had not been Roscoe who had told him this.

As set out in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, at Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 5, 1937, the information with reference to Canton, Ohio, has been investigated.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 9, 1937:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Miami, Florida, January 27, 1937, wherein it will be noted on page 11 that Roscoe stated that when Benson Groves was last arrested, "Slim" Martin, an individual who hangs around the Navarre Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, had obtained the clothes for Benson Groves, who was at that time living on 19th Street, Toledo, Ohio; that it was his (Roscoe's) opinion, that Martin might know the present whereabouts of Benson Groves.

Subsequent to making various inquiries in and around Toledo, Ohio, it was ascertained that "Slim" Martin's true name was George Browning, but that he uses the name of "Slim" Martin; that Martin drives a 1934 model Ford Coach, V-8, bearing Ohio 1936 license plates #3297-B; that Martin is known to frequent Haddard's Confectionery on 21st and Monroe Streets, Toledo, Ohio.

Martin was located at the Haddard Confectionery, 21st and Monroe Streets, Toledo, Ohio, and was taken to the office of the United States Attorney, Federal Building, Toledo, Ohio, and there was interviewed at length and in detail. Martin stated that at the present time he has no permanent address but that he intends moving to the Britt Hotel, 823 Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio. He advised that for about fifteen years, prior to about two years ago, he resided at 128 - 19th Street, Toledo, Ohio; that he moved away from this address when the proprietress died from tumor of the brain. Martin stated that he first met Groves about seven years ago while Groves was apparently living in Toledo; that Groves no doubt lived some place on 19th and Monroe Streets, Toledo, Ohio; that he makes this statement in view of the fact that he saw Groves at that location several times a week for about two years; that about five years ago Groves went away and did not return until about two years ago; that Groves remained in Toledo and spent most of his time around the Courtesy Club, 513½ Jefferson Street, until about May 1936, when Groves evidently left Toledo again. Martin stated that he has neither seen nor heard from Groves since that time; that during Groves's last stay at Toledo, he apparently lived in the vicinity of his first stay in Toledo, that is, around Monroe and 19th Street, Toledo; that he saw Groves around this intersection about twice a week until May 1936, and that he always saw Groves at this intersection when he got out of bed before ten each morning. Martin stated that he knew Groves was wanted at the present time by the Government for the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery, because he had seen Groves's picture in the papers. Martin was questioned with reference to getting clothes for Benson Groves at the time Groves was sentenced to the penitentiary several years ago; however, he stated that he did not get any clothes while Groves was in the penitentiary because he never knew where Groves lived. He stated that he was certain of this statement because if it were true, he would readily remember where Groves had resided at the time. Martin stated that he would gladly furnish such information regarding the address of Groves at that time, inasmuch as he would have nothing to gain by withholding such information; that he would gladly cooperate with the Government, had he any knowledge of where Groves resided at the time.

Martin stated that he was never personally acquainted with Groves, nor does he remember speaking to him on more than one occasion, which was about a year ago at the Courtesy Club; that on t

occasion he said, "Good morning" to Groves, and Groves answered by grunting. He stated that Groves was an eccentric person and very patient; that Groves could very easily sit on one spot without moving; that Groves constantly chewed Nail Pouch tobacco and quite often smoked a cigar; that no one would ever think, by looking at him, that he had ever been involved in a mail train robbery or that he had any money; that Groves wore very thick glasses, due to a disease of the eyes known as hardening of the lens; that Groves could not see at all without his glasses and could not see efficiently with them; that in view of his eyesight, Martin was very much surprised that Karpis and Campbell would have picked a man like Groves when he could not see very well.

Martin stated that it was his opinion, after having seen Groves around Toledo so often, that Groves is in Ohio but not in Toledo; that when he is found, he will be located on a farm or in some back woods in Ohio where people are ignorant of Federal laws with regard to harboring; that as long as Groves purchases the groceries and foodstuffs, he will be allowed to remain there. Martin stated that he had no knowledge as to Groves's whereabouts; that he is making these statements from his opinion of Groves during the times he has seen him around Toledo. He further stated that Groves would be located where oil lamps are being burned and where there are no modern conveniences. It may be well to note at this time that Martin repeatedly stated that Groves would be found where oil lamps are being burned and that the location of the place would be on a farm in the state of Ohio.

Martin stated that a man by the name of Charlie Porterfield, who ran a saloon in Toledo, Ohio, in 1918 or 1919, had told him on one occasion several years ago that Groves came from the Ohio side of the river, near Wheeling, West Virginia; that there were quite a number of relatives of Porterfield and of Groves residing in the Ohio Valley along that section. He stated that he did not know what name Groves's relatives used, but he did not think it was Groves; that if the Porterfields are contacted in the Ohio Valley district mentioned above, they would, no doubt, be able to furnish information as to Groves's relatives and possibly as to the present whereabouts of Groves himself. He stated that it would not be hard to locate Groves in that vicinity, and related a case told to him by Porterfield in which a lady was being sought by the Federal authorities for violation of the Prohibition Law, and was located where she was supposedly hiding out, only three houses from her home. Martin stated that he did not know the present whereabouts of Charlie Porterfield; that he was not in Toledo at the present time, but that he could, no doubt, be located through his relatives on the Ohio side near Wheeling, West Virginia.

Martin stated that about six or seven years ago he saw Groves loitering about the intersection of Michigan and Monroe Streets in Toledo, Ohio. He mentioned that the only friend he ever knew Groves to have was a man named George Martini; that he does not know Martini's present location, nor has he seen him for three or four years. However, he thinks Martini is in California.

Martin stated that he did not believe Groves would be around Canton, Ohio, because he was too well known in that vicinity and because the only man who helped him was "Jumbo" Crowley, who is now deceased; that Crowley has a brother in Canton, Ohio, but this brother is very honest and would not harbor a criminal. Martin stated that his reason for contending that Groves would be located in the state of Ohio, is due to the fact that from his own observations he has noted that Groves speaks to no one, trusts no one, and, therefore, it would be very difficult for Groves to make new contacts as he is a very bad mixer and, apparently, can not make many friends; that any friends that Groves does have are all in the State of Ohio.

Martin stated that he knows Joe Roscoe and had talked to him on numerous occasions about personal affairs; however, he cannot recall every discussing Benson Groves with Roscoe.

Every effort will be made by reporting agents to ascertain the true identities and whereabouts of the persons named by "Slim" Martin, with a view to locating Benson Groves.

During the course of agents' interview with Martin, a conversation arose with reference to the "pay-offs" in Toledo, Ohio, at which time Martin stated that it was common knowledge that Captain George Timiney and Detective Art Langendorf of the Toledo Police Department made regular "shakedowns" of pickpockets and confidence men; that he could offer no concrete evidence in this connection, but that such evidence should be easily obtained from some of the confidence men or pickpockets in Toledo; that the Algeo Hotel is the headquarters for Timiney or Langendorf, and that Langendorf can be found at any time of the day either at the Algeo Hotel or at the "Turf Bar", located only one block away from the Algeo Hotel. Martin, questioned with reference to "pay-offs" made by him to police officers in Toledo, reluctantly related an occasion about two years ago whereupon Louis Herman, a Jewish agent for Langendorf, came to his house at 128 - 19th Street, Toledo, and told him that Langendorf and Timiney were going to raid his house for "hot money"; that, however, he might prevent such raid by paying \$100; that immediately after Herman's visit, Timiney and Langendorf drove up to the front of Martin's house and remained seated in their car for about one hour. Martin stated that he was quite sure that

Timiney and Langendorf parked in front of his place to frighten him, in view of the fact that he did not pay the \$100 to Herman. Martin was very reluctant in giving the name of Louis Herman as the person who had contacted him with this proposition. He further stated that he was not sure that Herman was sent to him by Timiney and Langendorf and that he could not prove it; however, it was his belief that Herman was sent by these officers in view of the fact that the officers parked in front of his house until they were sure that Martin had seen them. Martin stated that on this occasion the officers believed that he had some "hot money" in his possession; that, however, they had been misinformed, inasmuch as he did not have any such money in his possession; that if he did have such money, he would not have paid Herman such money to prevent arrest, because by so doing he would have admitted guilt.

Martin appears to be a very sick man and can hardly walk due to physical infirmities. He is over six feet tall and weighs hardly one hundred pounds. He is about 41 years of age.

It was learned from Detective Harry Manson of the Toledo Police Department that George Martin is an expert safe cracker and bears a long criminal record.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 12, 1937:

In view of the information furnished by George "Slim" Martin, who was recently interviewed by reporting agents, a very thorough neighborhood canvass was made of all houses located on 19th Street, Between Monroe and Jefferson Streets, and the neighboring stores located on 19th and Monroe Streets, Toledo, Ohio. From this investigation it was ascertained that Groves was seen in that neighborhood on numerous occasions until about one year ago. It will be recalled in the interview with "Slim" Martin, that he lived with a Mrs. Frances Koss, 128 - 19th Street, Toledo; that Mrs. Koss died about one year ago with tumor of the brain and at that time Martin moved away. It will also be recalled that Martin stated definitely that Groves did not live on 19th Street at the same time he lived there.

It was ascertained from Mrs. Haulk, who now lives at 128-19th Street, that Mrs. Koss has a daughter, named Mrs. Joseph Weiner, who now resides at 1520 Bell Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. Mrs. Weiner was interviewed and shown the photograph of Benson Groves, #38605, United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, which she readily identified



as a man known to her as Ben Grayson and who lived at her mother's rooming house on two occasions for more than one year each time; that the first time was about six or seven years ago when Grayson moved into her mother's house and lived there about two years, then moved away, and after an lapse of about two or three years, Grayson again moved into her mother's house and remained there for over a year and until about March 7, 1936; that he left this boarding house at the time she leased it to Mrs. Haulk, shortly after her mother's death.

Mrs. Weiner stated that Martin also moved away from the rooming house at 128 - 19th Street shortly after her mother's death; that Martin lived in the house during both times that Grayson lived there; that, however, Martin and Grayson did not seem to make friends but, instead, Martin appeared to avoid Grayson; that Martin gave the impression that he did not like Grayson.

Mrs. Weiner stated that Grayson was a very quiet person and never spoke to anybody; that she never saw anybody with Grayson, nor did she know of any relatives that Grayson might have; that Grayson should be considered an ideal roomer in view of the fact that he always paid his rent of \$3.50 a week on time and always acted as a gentleman around the house; that, however, he never spoke to her or her mother except when he paid the rent and at that time he would only ask them how they were feeling; that Grayson's habits were fairly regular; that he usually retired around ten or eleven o'clock and arose about the same time each morning; that she did not know where he spent his time when he was away from the house, nor had she ever seen him anywhere other than at the house, except perhaps walking to or from town.

She stated that she had no idea where he might have moved from her mother's house, nor had she seen or heard of him since he moved away other than the time she read his name in the Toledo papers about his connection with a robbery. She stated that at the time Grayson lived at her mother's house, George Martin and Patrick Carroll were the only other permanent roomers living there. As to Patrick Carroll, she stated that he remained at 128 - 19th Street until about three months ago, when Mrs. Haulk told her he disappeared, leaving his clothes and all other possessions in his room; that he did not state that he was leaving, and she has not heard from him since.

In view of the above information received from Mrs. Weiner, agents again interviewed George Martin in detail, however, he contended all through the interview that he did not know Benson Groves ever lived at 128 - 19th Street and that he was certain that Groves did not live there at the time he was living there.

During Agents' first interview with George Martin, he stated that the only friend he ever knew Groves to have was a man named George Martini. A search of the criminal files at the Toledo Police Department revealed a picture of one George Martini, Toledo PD #13999. This photograph was exhibited to Martin; however, he stated that it was not the Martini he made mention of as the friend of Benson Groves. It will be noted in the interview had with George Martin that he also named an individual Charlie Porterfield, who had stated that Groves had relatives near Wheeling, West Virginia. A search of the Toledo Police Department files failed to disclose any person by that name.

It will further be noted that during agents' first interview with Martin, he mentioned the name of Louis Herman, who approached him for a "pay-off" to be given to Art Langendorf and George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department. General questioning at the Toledo Police Department and around Toledo failed to disclose the identity of Louis Herman.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 4, 1937:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Miami, Florida, January 27, 1937, wherein it will be noted on page 11 that Joe Roscoe stated that a "Whitey" other than "Whitey" Mason, who works at the Courtesy Club, 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio, had told him some time ago that he ("Whitey") had seen Benson Groves at "Jumbo" Crowley's gambling establishment at Canton, Ohio.

Wasserman was contacted at his apartment at the Allerton Apartments, Suite #12, and interviewed with reference to the above information. It might be emphasized at this point that during the course of the interview no mention was made of Joe Roscoe with reference to the purpose of this interview. Wasserman advised that his true name is Clement Anthony Wasserman; that he is also known as "Whitey" and is presently employed at the Courtesy Club, 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio, as a dice dealer.

Photographs of Benson Groves were exhibited to Wasserman and he identified both of them as those of an individual known to him as "Old Ben"; that he did not know Groves's true identity, nor did he know that Groves was involved in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery,

until he had read about it in the Toledo newspapers. Wasserman stated that the only times he had ever seen Groves was at the Courtesy Club, 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street, where Groves would come and sit without speaking to anyone; that Groves did not gamble or spend any money but just smoked a cigar in the corner of his mouth and sat around all day; that word went around the Courtesy Club that Groves knew Joe Roscoe and no attention was then paid to him. However, the opinion of those working at the Courtesy Club was to the effect that Groves was supposed to be a "muscle man", in other words, a strong arm man, probably sent to the club by Roscoe.

Wasserman stated that he knows Roscoe but he seldom spoke to him and that Roscoe did not talk with anybody at the club when he visited there. He further denied having seen Groves at "Jumbo" Crowley's gambling establishment in Canton, Ohio, stating that he had never been near Canton, Ohio; that the nearest place to Canton, Ohio, he had ever been was Cleveland, Ohio, at which time he rode there in a friend's automobile and returned to Toledo the same day. Wasserman was very emphatic in stating that he had never seen Ben Groves outside of the Courtesy Club and the last time he saw Groves at the Club was in May 1936.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and A. Dickstein at Toledo, Ohio, on February 1, 1937:

Efforts to interview George W. Mason at his home, 1771 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, were unsuccessful inasmuch as it was disclosed that Mason had been ill in bed with an attack of influenza for the past ten days. However, on the above date Mason was interviewed at the office of the Assistant United States Attorney, Federal Building, Toledo, Ohio. This interview was predicated upon information furnished by Joe Roscoe at Miami Beach, Florida, at which time Roscoe advised agents that "Whitey" Mason, who is part owner of the Courtesy Club, 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio, possessed information as to the whereabouts of Benson Groves. Prior to interviewing Mason, investigation disclosed that Mason has a slight police record under the name of George "Whitey" Mason, at the Toledo Police Department. This record is dated about 1920 and no arrests have been recorded since that time. From this record it appears that Mason was a dope addict and practically all of his criminal connections could be attributed to the use of narcotics.

Mason stated, when interviewed, that he had first met Benson Groves through Jimmy Hayes at Hayes' Gambling Place, 220 St. Clair

Street, in or about 1930; that Groves remained around Toledo for about three or four months and was then arrested and he heard that Groves was sentenced to the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio; that Groves did not return to Toledo until the latter part of 1935; that Groves then remained around Toledo until April of 1936 and has not been seen since that time. He stated that he does not know the present whereabouts of Benson Groves, nor does he know how Benson Groves can be located; that Groves spent much of his time, prior to April 1936 at the Courtesy Club; that Groves spent several hours a day at the Courtesy Club, 513 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jefferson Street, without ever participating in any of the forms of gambling; that he, as well as the other employees at the Club, paid little attention to him in view of the fact that it was their understanding that Groves had been sent there by Joe Roscoe, who it was believed was Groves's friend.

Mason stated that he worked as doorman at the Courtesy Club during the daytime and saw Groves at this Club almost every day between the above-mentioned dates. He stated, however, that he could not state whether Groves visited the Courtesy Club at night because he (Mason) did not remain at the club except during his working hours. Mason stated that he did not know who owned the Courtesy Club; however, he believed that Joe Roscoe had an interest therein. It might be well to note at this time that Mason stated that he does not have any interest in the Courtesy Club, but his position at that place is to prevent members of the Vice Squad from entering the place; that he has been employed in this capacity since 1927, at a salary of \$5.00 and \$6.00 a day.

The police records revealed that "Whitey" Mason's true name is George White; that his former occupation was that of "Jockey"; that he was for some time prior to 1920 a narcotic addict. Mason readily admitted this, but states that he has attempted to live a clean life for the past thirty years and that very few persons have knowledge of his former record. At the present time Mason is residing with his wife, Lena Mason, at 1771 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio. Mason stated that whenever he saw Groves at the Courtesy Club the only topics discussed with him were about current events and baseball; that Groves was a staunch baseball fan; that until the recent publication of Groves's photograph in Toledo papers, neither he nor any of the other employees knew the true identity of Groves nor what his connections were as far as his criminal activities were concerned.

Mason stated that he did not know the whereabouts of Groves, nor does he know how to contact him directly or indirectly; that he could not even suggest who might know of Groves's whereabouts because Groves was always alone and by himself and appeared to have no friends

at all; that Groves never associated with anybody and that he (Mason) did not know of any friend he had except Joe Roscoe, who he heard was a school friend of Groves.

While discussing the question of harboring, Mason stated that Bert and Ted Angus were financially embarrassed; that Bert Angus is presently employed as a "lookout" at the Jovial Club, 631 1/2 St. Clair Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Although Mason was interviewed at length and in detail for several hours at the Federal Building, he still maintained that he does not know the present whereabouts of Benson Groves nor can he suggest where Groves can be contacted.

The following description of "Whitey" Mason was obtained from personal observation and interrogation:

Name	-	George White, Mason
Aliases	-	"Whitey" Mason, Buffalo "Whitey", "Whitey Gus", George White
Age	-	56 years (born U.S. 4/3/1881)
Height	-	5' 4 1/2"
Weight	-	110 lbs.
Build	-	Slim
Complexion	-	Dark
Hair	-	Sandy, brown - turning grey
Eyes	-	Grey
Teeth	-	False - upper and lower plates
Residence	-	1771 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio
Glasses	-	Round, rimless
Occupation	-	"Lookout" - Courtesy Club 513 1/2 Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio
Marital Status	-	Married; wife - Lena Mason 1771 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio

Subsequent to the interview with Mason, he promised to make an effort to obtain information which might assist in locating the possible whereabouts of Benson Groves and if any such information comes into his possession he will advise agents at their respective hotels.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and E. E. Lill at Toledo and Swanton, Ohio, on February 24, 1937:

Agents received a telephone call from Special Agent E. F. Hillwood, Resident Agent at Toledo, Ohio, informing that a man by the name of Murphy, who is a newspaper reporter for the Toledo Blade, had contacted him telephonically and advised him that Benson Groves had been shot at by the Town Marshal of Swanton, Ohio in Swanton the previous night; that Inspector Fruchey of the Toledo Police Department would not give him (Murphy) any information with reference to this matter except that the Federal Government was working on the case.

Agents proceeded to Swanton, Ohio, where they contacted George Reed, the Night Marshal. Reed stated that about 4:00 a.m. he noticed a suspicious looking car in Swanton and upon searching the car he found a typewriter and check protector therein; that he then had the car moved to a garage and waited for the owner to return; that soon thereafter a man came to the place where the car had been left and after finding the car gone, ran away, at which time he fired a shot at him and apparently missed; that the subject made his escape in a dark blue, two-door, 1929 Ford Sedan, owned by Joe Brown of Swanton, Ohio; that the license plates on this car were 1936 Ohio plates #4748-Z.

Shortly after the arrival of Agents, Mr. O. J. Gonia, Detective of the Toledo Police Department, arrived at the scene in Swanton, Ohio, where the car was taken from the subject. Detective Gonia advised that this car had been stolen at Dunkirk, Ohio several days ago; that he knew the instant car was stolen, but that he and members of the United States Secret Service were surveilling the gang using this car for the purpose of catching them in the act of making counterfeit money; that the night the instant car was recovered, some of the Secret Service agents were following the car but that their car ran out of gasoline and the subjects made their getaway. Detective Gonia stated that the persons they were surveilling were Fred Unger and Johnny Mack, both of Toledo, Ohio; that the plant they maintained was located across the street from Goulet's Grill, and the place they were watching was over Goulet's Grill, which is located at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio; that the apartment under surveillance was the identical apartment in which Harry Campbell was apprehended by Bureau agents in May 1936. Mr. George Reed stated that at the time he fired the shot at the subject, he was only able to take a very slight look at him and the only description he could furnish of him was that he stood about 5' 11" and weighed 180 lbs.; that he did not see the subject's face and, for this reason, he would be unable to make any identification.

Mr. Reed stated that the check protector located in the recovered car was stolen on the same morning that the car was recovered, from F. J. Ehart, Hardware Store, Wauseon, Ohio, and that the typewriter found in the car was stolen from the New York Central Railroad Company at Delta, Ohio. During agents' conversation with Detective Conia, he stated that he did not know why the newspaper reporters believed that the man fired at by Reed was Groves.

Agents proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, where they contacted Inspector Fruchy of the Toledo Police Department. Inspector Fruchy stated that he did not know why the newspapers at Toledo reported information to the effect that Groves was seen in Toledo and was fired at in Swanton, Ohio.

The noon edition of the Toledo Blade carried the following headlines on the front page, "KARPIS GANGSTER SEEN HERE - - SOUP GROVES BELIEVED TO HAVE FLED FROM STOLEN CAR UNDER FIRE FROM MARSHAL REED AT SWANTON, OHIO." This article states, in part, the "G-Men" and Postal authorities were making attempts to locate Groves during the time of his escape.

The Bureau was advised by teletype dated February 24, 1937 of the above publicity and of the erroneous nature thereof.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents F. B. Dill and A. Dickstein at Toledo, Ohio, on February 2 and 3, 1937:

Reference is made to the recent interviews had with Ray Berning and W. S. Thurstin at 921 Nicholas Building, Toledo, Ohio, at which time they furnished the names of Clifford H. Scheuer of the Merchants Finance Company; Burt White, Security Bank Building; and George W. Kapp, Jr., all of Toledo, as persons who might be in possession of information concerning "pay-offs" made to Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department, and others.

Let it be noted that at the time Ray Berning was interviewed he stated that Alvin Karpis was held prisoner at the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, until such time as he raised \$35,000 for his release, and this money was divided among Timiney, present Chief of Police Ray Allen, and numerous detectives of the Toledo Police Department; that the foregoing information was furnished to Berning by Clifford Scheuer of the

Merchants Finance Company, Sylvania and Phillips Avenues, Toledo, Ohio.

On February 2, 1937 agents located Clifford E. Scheuer at the Merchants Finance Company, 4010 Lewis Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, who, upon interview, stated that he has known Ray Berning since 1923; that recently an investigation was being conducted by the State officials at Toledo, regarding the activities of the "Black Legion" and Berning was called before the Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio, to tell what he knows of the activities of this secret order; that he personally knew that Berning was a member of the "Black Legion" at that time; that recently there was an epidemic of bombings of all communistic meetings and, in this connection, Berning had told him (Scheuer) that these bombings were to take place <sup>and</sup> in each instance the bombing at these meetings actually took place as predicted by Ray Berning; that in view of these incidents, as set out above, Mr. Scheuer was convinced that Berning was connected with the "Black Legion", believed responsible for the bombings.

Scheuer stated that Ray Berning and W. S. Thurstin were instrumental in organizing a new organization known as the "Legion of Action", which is still in its infancy; that although he (Scheuer) was a Catholic, Berning and Thurstin attempted to place Scheuer's name on the charter as one of the organizers. After declining this offer, Scheuer was offered the presidency of this order and hesitated to accept this offer unless Berning and Thurstin disclosed to him the true purposes of the "Legion of Action". He was advised that the initial fee would be a \$2.50 membership fee; that members of the "Legion of Action" would be required to purchase as their uniforms, shirts and hats to match, bearing the Red, White, and Blue colors. Inasmuch as the "Legion of Action" had just started to organize, Scheuer could furnish no further details concerning the instant matter. It may be noted that the aforementioned data furnished by Mr. Scheuer was given voluntarily and not at the request of agents.

Scheuer was requested by agents to state in detail what knowledge he had concerning Alvin Karpis being held prisoner at the Algeo Hotel until he (Karpis) raised \$35,000 to give to Timiney and others to obtain his release. It should be noted that no intimation was made to Scheuer that agents had discussed this matter with Berning nor that Berning had furnished Scheuer's name. Scheuer then went on to relate in confidence that Ray Berning was the individual who told him that Karpis was held prisoner at the Algeo Hotel in Toledo and that Karpis was compelled to raise \$35,000 to obtain his release. This information was related to Scheuer and, to his best knowledge and recollection, Berning told Scheuer that the persons involved in the \$35,000 transaction were Captain George Timiney, present Chief of Police Ray Allen, and Detectives Art Langendorf, Dombowski, C. Farble, Merle



Massicker, and Jim Tafelski. Scheuer stated that there were about seven or eight names mentioned to him by Berning, but those above-named were the only ones he could remember at this time.

Scheuer stated that Detective Jim Tafelski had purchased a new Oldsmobile car in March or April 1936, the time Karpis was alleged to have been held prisoner at the Algeo Hotel in Toledo. He stated that Detectives Carl Hartung and Harry Manson were two honest men connected with the Toledo Police Department; that sometime after he was told by Berning of the incident concerning the Karpis "pay-off", he (Scheuer) indirectly discussed this matter with Detective Carl Hartung, who intimated to him that these facts were true; that from the actions of Detective Hartung, Scheuer felt that what Ray Berning told him might have been true. Scheuer was unable to furnish any information concerning any bank deposits made by certain individuals at the West Toledo bank, and which deposits were eventually to revert back to Safety Director John Edy. However, Scheuer advised agents that he would contact Ray Berning in the very near future and attempt to ascertain through Berning the names of the individuals who may have deposited part of the alleged \$35,000 "pay-off"; that if such information comes into his possession, he will contact agents. He then suggested that agents contact Ben Raitz, Manager of the West Toledo Trust Company, located on Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, who would render excellent cooperation to agents, in an effort to locate such deposits.

It should be noted that from the interview had with Ray Berning agents were led to believe that Clifford E. Scheuer was the person who had originally furnished the information concerning the Karpis "pay-off". As will be noted from the interview with Mr. Scheuer, agents were advised that Ray Berning was the originator of the information concerning the Karpis "pay-off". However, every effort is being made to ascertain the source where the information originated.

Burt White, 2122 Brookwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, telephone, ADams 1572, was located at the Ohio Bank Building, Toledo, Ohio, and there interviewed. White was formerly a State Alcohol Inspector and is presently employed by the Ohio State Banking Department. White stated that he bears an old grudge against Captain George Timiney since the murder of Dan Kurtz, who was an agent with the Government. White believes that Kurtz was connected with the United States Department of Labor and was assigned to watch Emma Goldman, an anarchist, who was deported from the United States; that he had on numerous occasions worked with Kurtz in connection with official investigations conducted by him, until some years ago when Kurtz was found shot to death, by the

Sheriff of Monroe County, Michigan, near Toledo, Ohio, just north of the Ohio State Line, in the State of Michigan.

White stated that on the night that Kurtz was murdered, Kurtz had dinner at his house about 10:00 p.m. and prior to his departure Kurtz stated that he would call Mr. White later in the evening. About 11:00 p.m. White made numerous telephone calls in an effort to locate Kurtz, but without success. About 11:30 p.m., Kurtz called White on the telephone and advised him that he was calling from the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio. White stated to Kurtz that of all places he should not have stopped at the Casino Club, but Kurtz advised White that there was nothing to worry about; that George Timiney and Eugene Callanan, a State man, were there. White requested Kurtz to put "Wop" English on the telephone, he being the manager of the Casino Club, in that he knew "Wop" English was a kid. On the telephone, White requested "Wop" English to put Kurtz in a taxi and send him home. This occurred about 11:30 p.m. About 12:15 a.m. thirty-five minutes after the telephone conversation, White received a telephone call from the then Sheriff of Monroe County, Michigan, requesting that he (White) come to Monroe, Michigan and identify a body there. Upon his arrival at Monroe, Michigan, White stated that he immediately identified the body as that of Dan Kurtz, and that the body showed that Kurtz was shot from several angles and that five bullets went through the body of Kurtz. A day or two after Kurtz's body was found at Monroe, Michigan, White met Timiney at Toledo and Timiney said to White, "I hear your partner was killed." White then asked Timiney if that was all he (Timiney) knew about the murder, whereupon Timiney laughed and walked away. Since this occurrence, White has held a hate for Timiney because he feels that Timiney has knowledge of the real murderer and that there was every likelihood that Timiney was one of the murderers.

White further stated that Mabel Green of 1003 Summit Street, Toledo, madam of one of Toledo's oldest houses of prostitution, could furnish the Government information concerning "pay-offs" made to various officials and collectors in and around Toledo, Ohio; that he did not know whether or not she would talk to agents, but in the event she did not, he would accompany agents on a further interview with her and he was certain she would talk if he were there in view of the fact that she has told him on numerous occasions, the last time being about three or four months ago, about "pay-offs" she has made in Toledo during the time she has operated houses of prostitution. White stated that Mabel Green had mentioned to him several occasions on which she paid Ted Angus money to be paid to city officials of Toledo to allow her to operate. It might be noted that Mabel Green has been interviewed on several occasions in connection with this case and the information furnished by her has already been set out in previous reports.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. E. Bill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 16, 1937:

Reference is made to the recent interviews had with Ray Forning and W. S. Thurstin at 921 Nicholas Building, Toledo, Ohio, at which time Mr. Thurstin furnished the name of J. George Kapp, Jr., 3434 Indian Road, Toledo, Ohio, who may be able to furnish information concerning a "pay-off" made to Kapp, which money was to be conveyed to John Price, the then Safety Director.

J. George Kapp, Jr., was interviewed at length and in detail at Room 914, Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, at which time he stated that during the latter part of November 1933 he was one of the campaign managers for Solon T. Klotz, who had been elected Mayor of the City of Toledo, and who had been sworn in, but who had not yet taken office; that John Price was Chairman of the Finance Committee for Mayor Klotz's campaign; that after the campaign was over, the Finance Committee owned approximately \$2,000 in unpaid bills; that Mayor Klotz and the other members of the committee were at a loss to know where the money would be forthcoming; that a few days after Mayor Klotz had been sworn in as Mayor of Toledo, William Hirsch, who is now Principal Keeper at the Lucas County Workhouse, Whitehouse, Ohio, came to him and told him that he knew where Kapp could get \$2,000 to pay off the debts of the campaign; that Hirsch further advised that this money was to come from Jimmy Hayes, now deceased, who was reputed to be Toledo's "gambling king". Kapp stated that he would have to get Mayor Klotz's sanction before he could accept; that Hirsch then advised Kapp that this money was to be for the purpose of not molesting Jimmy Hayes's gambling establishments for the months of January, February, and March 1934. Kapp stated that he then went to Mayor Klotz's office, which was located in the Nicholas Building, and informed Mayor Klotz of the proposition given to him by Hirsch; that Klotz answered, in effect, "all right, we've gotta pay the bills. You know, George, there will always be gambling." Klotz then told Kapp to see John Price, who was the Chairman of the Finance Committee. Kapp stated that he and Arnold DeFrance went in to see John Price and told Price of the proposition and Price agreed to accept same under the conditions offered. Kapp stated that he then called William Hirsch and told him that the proposition would be acceptable; that a day or two later Jimmy Hayes telephonically contacted him and told Kapp to meet him in Room #25, Gardner Building; that he did meet Hayes at the appointed place, at which time Hayes gave him \$2,000, which consisted of three, five hundred dollar bills and five, one hundred dollar bills; that on this occasion Hayes told Kapp that this \$2,000 was protection money for January, February, and March 1934, and that the regular

"pay-offs" thereafter would begin after March 1934. Kapp stated that he advised both Klotz and Price that this money was for the aboveprotection of three months and that the regular "pay-offs" after March would be forthcoming.

Mr. Kapp stated that upon receipt of the \$2,000, he immediately took it to Mayor Klotz's office in the Nicholas Building and asked Klotz if he could use any of the money, to which Klotz answered that he could always use money; that he then asked Klotz how much he wanted, and Klotz said, "a couple of hundred will do"; that he thereupon took two, one hundred dollar bills from the pile and gave them to Mayor Klotz; that he then delivered the balance of the money to John Price.

Mr. Kapp stated that \$350 of this money was spent to defray the expenses of Solon Klotz, Robert Klotz (son of Mayor Klotz), John Price, Dave Britz, and himself, to Milwaukee, Wisconsin; that the five of them went and returned by way of automobile and remained in Milwaukee about five days. Kapp stated that the supposed purpose of this visit was for Klotz to study the Socialistic form of government at Milwaukee, Wisconsin; that although Klotz was elected on a non-partisan ticket, he was a Socialist at heart. Kapp stated that this trip to Milwaukee turned out to be a mere pleasure trip and Klotz made no attempt to learn the set-up of the Milwaukee City Government. Kapp stated that the remaining \$1,450 of this money was used to defray the expenses of the campaign.

Mr. Kapp stated that he was the Safety Director in 1914 and 1915 under Mayor Carl Keller, and that he was again appointed Safety Director in 1934 by Mayor Solon Klotz; that he took office on January 11, 1934 and served in that capacity until March 7, 1934, at which time John Price succeeded him. Kapp stated that there were five members on the Mayor's Cabinet and at the time he was serving as Safety Director under Mayor Klotz, the Mayor and the other four members of the council started a move to reduce the salaries of all city employees except their own; that in view of the fact that the city employees had already had one cut in their wages, he objected to the second cut and, upon openly expressing such objection, he was discharged from the position of Safety Director.

Mr. Kapp was questioned with reference to "pay-offs" that might have been made to Toledo, Ohio, officials and who might be able to furnish information with reference to same. He stated that a Jew by the name of Izzy Schall, who lives on Canton Street, near Scott Street, in Toledo, and runs a cleaning and pressing establishment, would be able to furnish information with reference to "pay-offs"; that

he was certain Schell would be able to furnish such information in view of the fact that his pressing establishment was used as a meeting place for the collectors and city detectives.

Carl Grotie, who operates a gasoline station at Superior and Washington Streets, Toledo, was Mayor Klotz's secretary during the Klotz administration and, Kapp stated, Grotie should be able to furnish information with reference to "pay-off" activities during the Klotz administration; that Grotie should be questioned with reference to the \$100 paid by Max Plummer, a former owner of a house of prostitution, and who is now deceased, to an attorney named Fred Rheam, who in turn paid this money over to Mayor Klotz. Kapp stated that Grotie should also be questioned about a trip made by Detective George Timiney and Charles Matthews to Washington, D. C. or New York City, about April 1934. Kapp stated that it was his understanding that the purpose of this trip was for Matthews and Timiney to lay plans for the collection of the "pay-offs".

Mr. Kapp stated that Charles Matthews, who may be located at Fire Station #3, and George Timiney, were the collectors under the Klotz administration.

Kapp stated that Pratt Eggbert, who was the Superintendent of the Water Works under the Mayor Klotz administration, dislikes Matthews and would be able to tell of the "pay-off" activities made by Matthews, if he would do so. Kapp stated that Eggbert should be questioned with reference to a meeting held at one of Toledo's downtown hotels for the Mayor and his Council, which he (Eggbert) attended, at which time Matthews became intoxicated and related "pay-off" activities which were being perpetrated at that time. Kapp stated that other than the information given above, he had no evidence as to direct "pay-offs" in Toledo, Ohio.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill, at Toledo, Ohio, on February 5, 1937:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 6, 1937, in which it is requested that Arthur Carter be located and interviewed with reference to his knowledge as to the activities of Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department.

After ascertaining that Arthur Carter was at the present time residing at the Secor Hotel, Room #523, he was located and interviewed in the lobby of this hotel. Carter stated that he first came to

Toledo, Ohio, in March of 1932, when he was trying to evade apprehension by the Federal Government for a mail fraud violation; that upon his arrival in Toledo he registered at the Secor Hotel under the name of James Hurley; that he lived at the Secor hotel for about three weeks and then moved to the Algeo Hotel, also in Toledo, after he suspected a police officer knew his identity; that upon arriving at the Algeo Hotel he pretended to be ill and remained in his room for about three weeks; that he then moved about Toledo freely until December 19, 1932, when he went to California to see his wife. Carter stated that he registered at the Algeo Hotel at the above-mentioned time under the name of James Hurley, the same name as the one he had used at the Secor Hotel just prior to moving to the Algeo. Carter further stated that he visited several cities on the west coast, then returned to Ohio, where he was apprehended by agents of this Bureau on January 19, 1933, at Columbus, Ohio; that on January 26, 1933 he was received at the United States Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, after receiving a sentence for violation of the United States laws pertaining to the use of the mails to defraud; that he was later transferred to the United States Penitentiary at Milan, Michigan, from which he was discharged in October 1936.

Carter stated that immediately upon his discharge from the penitentiary in October 1936, he returned to Toledo, Ohio, where he registered at the Secor Hotel under his true name, Arthur Carter, and where he has remained since.

Carter was questioned at length and in detail with reference to his knowledge of the activities of Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department. In answer to these questions Carter stated that although he had heard who Captain Timiney was while he (Carter) was in Toledo in 1932, he never met him and would not have known him if he had seen him; that the first time he ever saw Timiney was in October 1936 at the Algeo Hotel bar; that on this occasion he did not meet Timiney but some one pointed Timiney out to him. He stated that when he was in Toledo in 1932 he purposely avoided Timiney as well as other police officers; that at that time Timiney was interested in cleaning out the Licavoli mob and it was his belief that Timiney paid very little attention to other activities in Toledo at that time. Carter stated that he did not pay money to anyone in Toledo while he was a fugitive in 1932 for protection; that at that time it would not have been necessary in view of the fact that he did not believe anybody in Toledo knew his true identity. Carter expressed his belief that Timiney would have arrested him if he had known his true identity because of a rumor of a \$10,000 reward that was supposed to have been offered by the Federal Government for his apprehension.

Carter stated that he had never paid any money to an official in Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of a "fix", and that he did not know of any one who has ever paid money for a "fix" in Toledo, Ohio. He stated that if he had paid money to Timiney for a "fix", he would not hesitate to state the occasion because Timiney is a "double Crosser" and he would do anything in his power to bring him to the bar of justice.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 5, 1937:

As set out above in this report, Arthur Carter was interviewed by reporting agents at the Secor Hotel in Toledo. Subsequent to this interview, Carter contacted agents at the Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, and furnished the following information:

He stated that he had heard it rumored at the Algeo Hotel that a few weeks prior to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell, George Timiney and several other police officers of the Toledo Police Department, held Karpis and Campbell prisoners at the Algeo Hotel in Toledo, until they raised several thousand dollars to be turned over to Captain George Timiney and several others for their release. Carter would not state from whom he had heard these rumors and mentioned that he could offer no proof and, therefore, could not testify to these facts. He stated, however, that the best way to obtain this information would be through a Mrs. John Hurley, wife of a former wrestling promoter, now deceased; that Mrs. Hurley presently resides at the Algeo Hotel; that she likes men in uniform, regardless of what type of uniform; that she has had numerous affairs with police officers around Toledo, as well as with wrestlers whom she books for contests.

It will be noted from a review of the files in this case that Mrs. Hurley has already been interviewed at length and in detail in connection with this case. However, she will again be questioned regarding this case in the near future.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Wauseon, Delta, and Toledo, Ohio, on February 18, 19, 1937:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 10, 1937, in which a lead

has been set out, requesting that investigation be conducted concerning Maynard Fauble, who is alleged to have purchased numerous parcels of land in Fulton County, Ohio, and who, informant believes, has some possible connection with the Dillinger and Karpis gangs.

The records at the Fulton County Court House, Wauseon, Ohio, indicate that Maynard R. Fauble owns several parcels of farm land, as well as one lot in the Village of Swanton, Ohio, near Wauseon, Ohio, all of which property has been purchased by Fauble in the past two or three years. Mr. Lyle Schumaker, County Recorder, cited several deed records that Fauble had recently purchased property in Fulton County, Ohio; however, he stated that he would be unable to cite to agents each piece of property owned by Fauble; that this information might be more readily ascertained at the Treasurer's office where the taxes are paid.

Miss Mabel Grandy, Clerk in the Tax Unit of the Treasurer's office, stated that the following properties, of which she has personal knowledge, are owned by Maynard Fauble:

<u>Property in</u>	<u>Royalton Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
		3	9	22	\$2780	38 $\frac{1}{2}$
		3	9	23	2550	60
		3	9	26	750	20
		3	9	27	2770	80
"	<u>Fulton Township</u>	4	10	9	3650	80
		8	8	32	5200	80

Swanton Village, Swanton, Ohio - Lot #2 - Clark's addition - value \$870.

Taxes for half year paid on all property owned in Fulton County in February, 1937 - \$137.34.

Both Miss Mabel Grandy and Mr. Lyle Schumaker stated that Maynard Fauble was born and reared on a farm in Fulton County, near Delta, Ohio; that he, as well as his parents, had always enjoyed an excellent reputation in the County; that, however, there has been some discussion with reference to the financial success of Maynard, which he has apparently enjoyed within the past few years; that Maynard did not appear to be an exceptionally bright young man, but was always very ambitious and an exceptionally hard worker, and they had, more or less, contributed his success to these few contingencies.

Miss Mabel Grandy stated that Maynard Fauble purchased his last pieces of property from a man named Elmer Edgar, who resides on a farm about four or five miles from Wauseon, Ohio; that Mr. Edgar



might be able to furnish information with reference to Maynard's activities, as well as his address in Chicago, Illinois, where Maynard is allegedly in the bond business.

Miss Grandy stated that it was possible that Maynard Fauble owned more property in Fulton County, Ohio, than that shown above, but to ascertain the exact amount and location of same it would take several hours in view of the fact that all her tax records in Fulton County would have to be checked. Miss Grandy was not requested to do this as it would not serve any material purpose at this time.

Mr. F. A. Kenny, Postmaster of Delta, Ohio, gave agents the same information as that furnished by Miss Grandy and Mr. Schumaker and set out above. He further stated that he did not know Maynard's address in Chicago, but that he would ascertain this by watching the mails received by his parents, who live on a rural route out of Delta, Ohio. He was later informed that it would not be necessary to obtain Maynard's address as agents had already ascertained this information.

The following description of Maynard R. Fauble was furnished by Mr. F. A. Kenny, Postmaster at Delta, Ohio:

Age	-	about 40 years
Born	-	Delta, Fulton County, Ohio
Weight	-	165 lbs.
Build	-	Slender
Complexion	-	Medium
Hair	-	Black
Eyes	-	Brown
Scars	-	None noticeable

Mr. Kenny stated that when Maynard Fauble left Fulton County, Ohio, he went to work for the Vandersal Company, a bond house, at Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Elmer Edgar, Route #2, Wauseon, Ohio, stated that just recently Maynard Fauble purchased land from him which was worth about \$14,000; that there was an incumbrance on the land with the Federal Land Bank of Louisville, Kentucky, for approximately half the amount, and that Fauble paid him the difference over a period of several years. Mr. Edgar stated that he received a letter from Maynard Fauble about two years ago with return address 600 Diversy Parkway, Chicago, Illinois; that he was told by Mr. Fauble that he (Fauble) was in the bonding business in Chicago. Mr. Edgar furnished no other information except to state that Fauble bore an excellent reputation in Fulton County, Ohio.

Mrs. John M. Fauble, Route #2, Delta, Ohio, stated that Maynard Fauble, her son, lives at 600 Diversy Parkway, Chicago, Illinois. She exhibited to agents an envelope in which she stated she received a letter from her son that morning, on which was stamped the name and address of the company for which her son works, "Seipp, Princell & Co., Municipal Bonds, 105 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois." Agents' identities were not disclosed to Mrs. Fauble inasmuch as no additional information could be ascertained from her.

Mrs. C. E. Vandersal, matron in the Nurses' Home, Flower Hospital, Toledo, Ohio, upon being contacted telephonically, stated that her husband, who has been dead for about eight years, was formerly in the bond business with Siler, Carpenter & Roose, who are still in the bond business and are located in the Second National Bank Building in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Guy D. Carpenter, of the firm of Siler, Carpenter, & Roose, 1410 Second National Bank Building, Toledo, Ohio, on being contacted stated that Maynard Fauble, who came from a farm located about twenty-five or thirty miles from Toledo, Ohio, was given a job by C. E. Vandersal, who was then a partner of the firm of Blanchet, Thornburg & Vandersal; that at that time Fauble was only about 18 years old; that he worked for that firm for several years as a clerk and later Mr. Vandersal opened a bonding business of his own and Fauble then worked for Vandersal. Carpenter stated that Fauble is a very ambitious young man and an exceptionally hard worker; that he was always considered very reliable by the firm and although he handled large quantities of bonds and money, he was never known to be dishonest; that Fauble was apparently of good character and bore an excellent reputation with all who knew him; that about 1925 Mr. Vandersal placed Fauble with the firm of Seipp, Princell & Company, in Chicago, where he has remained since that time. Mr. Carpenter stated that the firm of Seipp, Princell & Company was an average size bonding company which deals in Municipal Bonds; that this company, although it does not deal in the highest class bonds, "meaning the highest financial class bonds", is reliable and deals in bonds that are usually purchased by the average citizen. Mr. Carpenter displayed to agents a book which was titled "Security dealers of North America", midyear 1936 edition. In this book, under Chicago, Illinois, was listed "Seipp, Princell & Co., Established 1923, 105 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, Municipal Bond Dealers. Officers - William C. Seipp, President and Treasurer; Paul P. Princell, Vice-President and Secretary; Manager, Buying Department; Maynard R. Fauble; Cashier, Joseph A. Nolan; Phone - STate 0616.

Mr. Carpenter advised agents that Fauble has a very responsible position and that it is possible that he receives a salary of about \$500 or \$600 a month; that, in addition to this, it is possible that he may be getting a commission from certain sales. Mr. Carpenter explained that the depression years were the most lucrative years for the bonding business in view of the fact that many companies and municipalities sold bonds to prevent liquidation, in addition to the fact that there were numerous people who would invest in bonds with a hope that the value would go up in the near future. This information was requested of Mr. Carpenter with a view to assisting the Chicago Field Division in making investigation with reference to Maynard Fauble, and also for whatever assistance the information might serve.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Clay Center, Ohio, on February 10, 1937:

Reference is made to a letter, dated January 27, 1937, from E. R. Fralic, Clay Center, Ohio, in which this person stated that a man named Frederick Earl Cribley, Box #347A, Erie, Michigan, might have some information in connection with the harboring of Campbell and his pals, and that Cribley might have harbored these men himself.

While agents were endeavoring to ascertain at the Toledo Police Department whether there was a record for Frederick Earl Cribley, agents asked Detective Harry Manson, who was present at that time, the route to Clay Center, Ohio. Upon being asked this question, Manson stated, "You are not going down to see this crazy fellow, Fralic, are you?" Manson related that two or three years ago Fralic had written to the Toledo Police Department a number of letters, stating that he could furnish information with reference to the Licavolimob, who were desperados from Toledo at that time; that he, with a number of other detectives from the Toledo Police Department, spent a number of weeks running down leads furnished by Fralic, and that they finally learned that Fralic had given these leads in an endeavor to have the police department locate a woman with whom he had been intimate and with whom he later claimed to have been in love; that the sole purpose of Fralic was to have this woman located. Manson further stated that Fralic wrote letters to practically all law enforcement officials, stating that he was in a position to furnish information with reference to activities over which the particular organization had jurisdiction. Manson described the peculiarities and forms of letters received by the Toledo Police Department, indicating that Fralic typed his name in

red ink in the center top of the page and also printed in red ink the name "Clay Center, Ohio." This, among other peculiarities mentioned by Detective Hanson, was also noted in reference letter.

E. R. Fralic, upon being interviewed at his home in Clay Center, Ohio, stated that several years ago a man by the name of Jurdie Yenser, Ohio State Penitentiary #29121, lived in Clay Center, Ohio, with a woman whom he claimed to be his wife. During the time Yenser and his supposed wife were living in Clay Center, Ohio, Yenser made no effort to support her and he (Fralic) stole coal from the man with whom he lived and carried it over to Yenser's woman to keep her from freezing. It might be well to note at this point that Fralic stated that at the present time he is living with his mother and some man who had taken care of him since he was eleven years old; that he is 32 years old and has never had any occupation; that he wanted to go out on the road to look for a job, but the man with whom he is living won't permit him as he is afraid he might be injured by the train.

Fralic stated that last November he got a job with a radio company at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and took Yenser's woman to Ann Arbor to be his housekeeper; that she only remained there a month or two and that this woman left him and went to live with Frederick Earl Cribley at the above-mentioned address. He stated that this woman was now going by the name of Marie R. White; that she is 34 years of age; 5' 8" tall; weighs 140 lbs.; had dark brown hair; brown eyes; and high cheek bones. He stated that at the present time Cribley is attempting to get a divorce from his wife and at the same time he is living with Marie R. White. Fralic was asked whether or not he was still in love with Marie White, to which he answered that he was not sure. He stated, however, that he had intimate relations with her. Fralic stated that Cribley is presently working for the Ottawa Paper Company near Toledo, Ohio. He was interviewed at length and in detail, but could offer no definite violation on the part of Cribley, and it was obvious to interviewing agents that he was attempting to cause trouble for Cribley in an effort to gain the companionship of Marie White, as his sole conversation was centered around Marie White, intimating that he would like very much to be with her again.

Fralic stated that he had also written to the United States Customs at Toledo, relating that there was a possibility that Cribley was selling dope. He suggested that the Bureau cooperate with the Customs Department and get together on this investigation.

It was noted upon arrival at Fralic's home that he was living under very poor conditions. He stated that he was a "Jack of all trades" and has been "sponging off" the man with whom he and his mother have been living since he was eleven years old.

Upon arriving at Clay Center, Ohio, the Postmaster was contacted in an endeavor to ascertain where Fralic was living. Upon being asked Fralic's address, the Postmaster exclaimed, "You want to see that eccentric man? Don't pay any attention to him." The Postmaster then apparently appeared to have realized that he had spoken out of turn and merely directed agents to Fralic's home without making any further remarks.

Frederick Earl Cribley of Erie, Michigan, is not being interviewed in view of the absurdity of the suggestion made by Fralic that Cribley is involved in any violation in which this Bureau would have jurisdiction. In addition to the fact that Fralic appears to be eccentric and apparently using investigative agencies to regain the companionship of Marie White, he was unable to offer any evidence whatever of any violation committed by Cribley, particularly any violation over which this Bureau might have jurisdiction.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin at Cleveland, Ohio:

Due to the fact that the criminal record of Colin Munro reflected that on August 7, 1930, an inquiry was made of the Bureau by the United States Customs Agents at Cleveland, Ohio, contact was had with the Deputy Collector in Cleveland, Ohio; also, with the office of the Agent in Charge, United States Customs. Both of these offices had files on Munro but only with reference to his arrests with Clifford Grisham Stroud in May 1930 and with Lberle in 1931. Inquiry was also made at the Immigration and Naturalization Service, but that department had no record on Munro.

While discussing this matter with Mr. K. S. Moser, Deputy Collector, United States Customs, Cleveland, Ohio, he stated that in each instance when Munro was arrested, his arrest cleared through the Deputy Collector, J. M. Downing, at Sandusky, Ohio. Mr. Moser stated that Downing had been Deputy Collector at this point for the past several years and that information may be in his possession that is not reflected in the meagre files of the above mentioned offices.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. B. Dill and A. Dickstein, at Sandusky, Ohio:

J. M. Downing, Deputy Collector, United States Customs, Sandusky, Ohio, was contacted at the Post Office Building and interviewed. He stated that the name of Colin Munro was barely familiar to him, in that he recollects having an arrest record on this individual back in 1930 and 1931. However, a search of his files and the records contained therein failed to disclose any pertinent information which might assist in locating Colin Munro or to definitely ascertain his Canadian or American citizenship, other than the fact that at the time of his arrest he stated that he was a Canadian citizen.

Although the files fail to disclose the exact status of Colin Munro as an American citizen, his criminal record is being set forth herein for whatever purpose it may serve in subsequent investigations concerning him.

On August 26, 1931, about 10:00 p.m., "Whitey" Eberle, alias George Zeberle, and Colin Munro were arrested while driving a 32-foot motor boat bearing registration #4835-A, equipped with Liberty Motor Model K, #1571210, 12 cylinders. There were found on this boat, in the possession of Eberle and Munro, 224 cartons of Canadian beer.

On April 29, 1930, at 10:30 p.m., Clifford G. Stroud and Colin Munro were arrested while driving a motor boat named "IKE", N-2301, coming from Kingsville, Ontario to Sandusky, Ohio. When arrested, Stroud and Munro had in their possession on the boat, 619 bottles of Canadian beer, 360 pints of Canadian whiskey, and 96 quarts of Canadian Whiskey. At the time of their arrest, Stroud gave his address as Huron, Ohio, and Munro as Lorain, Ohio.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 23, 1937:

Pursuant to instructions from Special Agent E. J. Wynn of the Cleveland Field Division, on February 23, 1937, agents contacted Dr. William M. Shapiro, Coroner of Lucas County, Ohio, with reference to the expense that would be incurred in exhuming a body for an autopsy and the procedure necessary to predicate such exhumation.

Dr. Shapiro stated that no legal procedure was necessary; that on two occasions he has caused bodies to be exhumed and on each he called Mr. Smith (initials unknown), connected with the Lucas County Board of Health, and told him that he wished to exhume a body in

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connection with the investigation of a crime that had been committed; that getting Mr. Smith's permission is a matter of form and that Smith never refuses; that upon getting Smith's permission, he then calls the undertaker who handled the burial and gets the exact location of the body. Dr. Shapiro stated that he obtains Mr. Smith's permission orally and the only record kept of the exhumation is a copy of the report of the autopsy performed. Dr. Shapiro expressed his willingness to cooperate with the Bureau in this matter. The identity of the body to be disinterred was not discussed.

Dr. Shapiro advised that he took office as Lucas County Coroner on January 9, 1935. This date is being mentioned to show that he was not Coroner at the time the body in question was found and buried. He stated that he succeeded Dr. Frank Kreft as Coroner.

In view of the fact that the Bureau might wish to have some doctor not officially connected with the County of Lucas, Ohio, perform the operation, Dr. Shapiro was requested to recommend some doctor, other than himself, to make the contemplated autopsy. He suggested Dr. Bernard Steinberg, Toledo Hospital.

Dr. Shapiro stated that the funeral establishments in Toledo would not charge him anything for exhuming a body if they knew they were doing it for him, because he was in a position to send them business; however, he stated that if the funeral establishments were contacted by some one other than himself, it would cost from \$25 to \$35 to have the body dug up and reburied.

Dr. Shapiro stated that he would charge the Bureau the same amount as he would be allowed by the County to perform an autopsy; that is, \$20 for a fresh body and \$40 for a body several months old or older; that if X-rays had to be taken, his fee would be about \$75. He further stated that if some other doctor was engaged to perform the autopsy the fee would be about \$75 or \$100, excluding the X-rays, in the event it would become necessary to have X-rays made.

Dr. Shapiro's office address is 1502 Jackson Street; his home address is 3909 Drexel Drive, both in Toledo, Ohio.

Dr. Shapiro stated that the complete cost for exhuming, autopsy, and reburial, would be about \$100, total. He further stated that there was very little likelihood that any flesh would be found on the body if it had been buried for more than two years, without first having been embalmed; that in the event it is found that the body has deteriorated to such an extent that only the bones are left, the only

possible autopsy that would be left to be performed would be an X-ray of the bones, which would reveal any foreign substance that may be lodged there.

Immediately upon receipt of the above information it was telephonically communicated to Special Agent E. J. Wynn at the Cleveland Field Division.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, on February 15, 1937:

On February 7, 1937 Gerald P. Openlander, Assistant United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, telephonically contacted agents and requested them to come to his office. On arriving at Mr. Openlander's office, he advised that some woman, who refused to divulge her name, furnished information which his stenographer took down verbatim in shorthand. The memorandum reflecting same, which is dated February 6, 1937, is set out below:

"The following message was telephoned in to U. S. Attorney's office this morning by a woman who, for about a year, was a maid in the home of a party closely associated with the Karpis-Campbell gang.

"There is a man called Mr. Scott, or Tony Scott, or Paul Tony, or Tony Paul who helped Campbell hide, and who had him in his home, and at times visited Campbell in his hide-out. Scott formerly lived in the 3000 block on Jeanette Avenue. He now lives in the lower flat at Douglas Road and Portsmouth. He has a great variety of guns there, which the woman informer thinks might lead to information about the gang. Scott is an Italian and has a beautiful wife named Rose. When people come to the house and ask for Rose Scott she says that is not her name. The Scotts have two children, a boy and a girl. Scott is a gambler and works at Aronoff's place.

"Scott has several sisters who also helped hide Campbell. They live some place near City Park Avenue. Their mother died not long ago in St. Vincent's Hospital and was buried from the H. H. Birkenkamp's Funeral Home on Broadway.



Their address can be obtained from Birkenkamp's.

"Scott's phone is in the name of his brother who shot his wife on Mayor St. some time ago. This brother used to work in the Sheriff's office. He used to have a night club. Scott's wife, Rose, drives several cars, a Ford, a large Pontiac, and another large car. At the time Frazier Reams was after the crooks Scott said they couldn't get him, he was too smart for them. Scott makes hurried trips to Detroit every few days and stops at the Statler hotel, returning the same day. They have very beautiful linens and things in their home which the maid thinks are stolen or smuggled. Also the large number of guns.

"A Woman by the name of Charlott Baron, who is working for some government agency, W. P. A. or something like it, and who seems to take care of children in a kind of nursery, keeps Scott informed about things. She lives at 4103 Commonwealth Avenue and Mrs. Scott calls her at Kingswood 4147. Mrs. Scott calls from the place where the maid worked. The maid says she didn't work at Scott's place, but was often sent over there on errands. Charlott Baron is an American about 35 years of age, and very shrewd.

"This maid says she was about to quit her job once before, but they acted queer about it and said it wouldn't be good for her to quit. She says she worked hard for \$10.00 a week. When she left yesterday they said it wouldn't be good for her to quit because she knew too much. They said things were too hot the other time she wanted to quit. She will not give her name or address because she is afraid, but she says these things are all true.

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Miss Charlotte Baron, 4102 Commonwealth Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was contacted at the W. P. A. Building, 1919 Linwood Street, Toledo, Ohio, and discreetly interviewed in detail in connection with the above memorandum. Miss Baron stated that she has been a friend of Mrs. Tony Paul Scott, who now resides at 2501 Portsmouth Road, Toledo, Ohio, for a number of years; that she used to attend school with Mrs. Scott; that Mrs. Scott's husband, whose name is Neufio Scott, and who goes by the name of Tony Paul, works as a crap

dealer at the Buckeye gambling establishment, 224 Superior Street, and that Scott owns a small interest in that business. Miss Baron stated that she visits Mrs. Scott several times a week and that she always visited her every Thursday night; that Mrs. Scott confides in her and she believes Mrs. Scott tells her practically everything she knows about her husband. She stated that she had been all over Scott's home, but that she had never noticed anything of a suspicious nature; that she had never seen any guns around Scott's home and did not believe they had any guns because if they had she would, no doubt, have seen them in view of the small apartment in which the Scotts reside. She stated that Mr. and Mrs. Scott are Italians and that Mr. Scott's mother, who recently died, left them some very beautiful imported Italian linens.

Miss Baron stated that Scott was very jealous of his wife and for this reason causes his wife much displeasure; that at the present time Scott and his wife were not in accord with each other; that they have two children, a girl about three years old and a boy about one and one-half years old.

Miss Baron stated that Scott has five sisters, practically all of whom are considered common street walkers; that Mrs. Scott has very little to do with any of them and that she does not believe Mr. Scott associates with his sisters any more than is possible at the present time. She stated that Scott's sisters are: Joseph<sup>ine</sup>, who is now Mrs. Paul Arts; Adelaide and Phyllis Scott, who are living with their father at 1617 Hamilton Street, Toledo, Ohio; Mary, who is now Mrs. Johnson, and whose address she does not know; also Carrie Scott, whose address she does not know; that Scott has two brothers by the names of Nick and William, who presently reside with their father at 1617 Hamilton Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Miss Baron stated that she had no knowledge of any frequent trips that Scott was making to Detroit or any other place; that, however, she does recall one or two trips made to Detroit by Scott with reference to a trailer business which Scott was considering opening with Fred Bradley, also with reference to opening a "five spot gun club". Miss Baron was questioned with reference to a maid who is or might have been working for Mrs. Scott. She stated that about seven months ago a girl by the name of Lucy Laibe went to work as a maid for Mrs. Scott; that prior to this time Miss Laibe worked for her at her home, 4103 Commonwealth Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; that although Lucy is twenty-six years old, it is her opinion that she has a mind of a twelve year old child; that, however, she is a very hard worker and appears to be loyal to the Scott family. Miss Baron stated that she never heard Mr. Scott or his wife mention Harry Campbell's name, nor has she heard any members of the gang discussed at the home of the Scotts. She stated

that the Scotts' telephone number is unlisted; however their number is Kingswood 1604.

Neufio (Tony Paul) Scott, on being interviewed, furnished substantially the same information as that given by Liss Baron and, in addition, stated that he has long since stopped associating with his sisters in view of their characters. He further stated that he does not have a gun about the house, because of his children; that until recently he had a shot gun around the house and disposed of it because of his children. Scott stated that he did not know Campbell or any other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, nor did he ever have any dealings with them directly or indirectly. He was shown the photograph of Benson Groves and he stated that it was the picture of a man known to him as "Old Ben"; that he did not know "Old Ben" personally, but that he saw him quite often standing in front of 513<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Jefferson Street; that, however, he has not seen him since last summer; that he never saw "Old Ben" with anyone and has never heard of anyone with whom Groves associated; that he does not know where "Old Ben" lived at the time he used to see him, nor does he know of his possible whereabouts.

Mr. Scott stated that Lucy Laibe, who is at the present time working for his wife, has been with them for the past eight or nine months; that she is a very hard worker, a loyal person, has never given them any trouble, and seems quite contented with her work; that he pays her \$5.00 a week. He stated that he does not know of any other maid in the neighborhood who visits his house, who runs errands, or for any other purpose. He then spoke to his wife and stated that she knew of no such person.

Lucy Laibe, upon being interviewed, stated that she has been working for the Scotts since August 23, 1936; that she has always been satisfied with her work and has never complained to anyone regarding her work or the way the Scotts have treated her. She further stated that she did not know of any maids in that neighborhood who came to the home of the Scotts either to visit or to run errands. In view of the foregoing information, no further investigation is being conducted in reference to the memorandum furnished by Mr. Openlander.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Dickstein and H. B. Dill, at Toledo, Ohio, on February 23, 1937:

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 25, 1936, wherein on page 212 the information to which Francis E. Hosier might testify is set out. It will be noted that Hosier stated that he saw Bert Angus's automobile on numerous occasions located in front of the house, four houses down, on the left side of 131st Street, after one turns right from Summit Street onto 131st Street, going towards the point, in Point Place, Ohio. Hosier accompanied agents to this location, where he pointed out the house to which he had reference. This house was located at 2831 - 131st Street, Toledo, Ohio, and is the one in which Harry Campbell was residing with Wynona Burdette in the spring of 1934.

Hosier stated that he was under the impression that Bert Angus lived at this address; that, however, his impression was based solely upon having seen Bert's car in the driveway of the above-mentioned house at least on three different occasions within a month; that he noticed Bert's car there while driving by this house on his way to a beer tavern which he frequented. Hosier stated that he could not remember the exact time when he saw Bert Angus's car parked in front of 2831 - 131st Street, however, he recalls at this time that it was about the same time that "Slim and Shorty" (mentioned in reference summary report) hung around the Casino Club and shot clay pigeons in the rear of the Casino Club. It might be well to record that Hosier is still residing at the house adjoining that of the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION, at CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, will note that Maynard R. Fauble resides at 600 Diversy Parkway, Chicago, Illinois, and is employed by the firm of Seipp, Princell & Company, 105 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois. Will conduct appropriate investigation with reference to him, as requested in the report of reference dealing with him.

The PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION, at LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, will interview Lou Livingston, who is a prisoner at the Northeastern Penitentiary, as mentioned on page 6 of this report, for any information of value regarding the whereabouts of Benson Groves, noting particularly that Livingston is alleged to have information concerning a lady friend of whom Groves is very fond.

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